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## In His Dad's Footsteps?

New York, Mar. 15.—Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr., 35, became the first son of the late President to seek public office by agreeing to run for the Congressional seat vacated by the death of Representative Sol Bloom.

Mr. Roosevelt, who resembles his father in looks and manner, will be supported by both the Democratic and Liberal Parties.—United Press.

## NEW PEACE DELEGATES

Nanking, Mar. 16.—An announcement that alterations would be made in the present Nationalist peace delegation, which is to meet the Communists, was made by the new Premier, General Ho Ying-chin, here last night.

One change would be the replacement of Mr. Peng Chao-hsien, who has resigned. There might be more alterations, he said.

General Ho said he was studying the problems of discontinuing military conscription and taxation in kind, which is being urged by the Legislative Yuan.

He thought the future of the financial and currency reforms to overcome the country's economic crisis was bright.

The Premier revealed that General Chiang Chih-chung, one of China's most ardent peace advocates, could not be Deputy Premier because of his duties as Governor of the North-West Province. The present Deputy Premier, General Wu Teh-chien, was considering accepting if he were appointed. General Chiang Chih-chung might, however, be a Minister.

He said he had not decided whether he would concurrently hold the National Defence portfolio. He said the peace negotiations would begin soon with the Chinese Communists.—Reuter-AAP.

## Britain Beginning To Build Big Bomber Fleet

### FRONT LINE STRENGTH TO BE INCREASED

London, Mar. 15.—Britain is now beginning to put into effect the first stage of her programme for increasing the front line strength of her bomber striking force, the Air Minister, Mr. Arthur Henderson, told the House of Commons today.

He was asking for a vote of £207 million for the Air Force for next year—£34 million more than the original estimate for this year.

The other facts he gave about the Royal Air Force were: The re-equipping of the day and fighter and ground attack squadrons overseas with jet fighters should be completed by June next year.

The latest types of Meteor and Vampire jet fighters—"the finest in service in the world today"—now used by the RAF, were much better than the original versions. But the newer types already being developed would be much better still.

## Smuggled Arms Seized

Wiesbaden, Mar. 15.—German border police at the North Hessian town of Heringen today seized five cases of weapon parts being smuggled from the Soviet Zone into the United States Zone, Military Government authorities said tonight.

Besides nearly 200 rifle trigger actions and rifle sights, the cases contained 160 drills and various tools. The police said these could "conceivably" help to fit out a small arms factory. The cases were addressed to a German.—In Wuerzburg-Baden.—Reuter.

"I can say with confidence that the lead we now hold in day fighters will be maintained in the future," he said.

Orders had been placed "in quantity" for a twin-jet bomber capable of a speed approaching 500 miles an hour, which was being developed, and for a twin-jet night fighter.

Explaining why the re-equipping of the RAF bomber force with jet bombers had been deferred, Mr. Henderson said they could have developed at great cost a type of jet bomber built around the existing jet engines, or developed another piston engine type. Both would have become obsolete in a very few years.

It had therefore been decided to concentrate on a long-term development of advanced jet bombers, he said, adding that the Fighter Command's jet fighter force was being doubled. This process should be completed by the middle of next month.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, Secretary of State for Air, told the House of Commons new bombers had been ordered into full production, that jet fighter strength would be doubled by the middle of 1950 and that Britain was moving toward technical supremacy in all phases of air warfare.

As Mr. Henderson heralded a "completely new era in flying" and hinted of greater planes to come, the Defence, Finance and Foreign Affairs Ministers of the five Western Union countries conferred for the second day on military, political and economic barriers against Communism and possible Soviet aggression.

Their urgent secret conference ended tonight, but plans laid by these leaders of Britain, France, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg soon will lead to the signing of the North Atlantic security pact, formation of the Council of Europe and rearming of the West.

Amid their talks on how to distribute expected American military aid and how to deploy Western Union forces, there came another disclosure.

### FRANCE SEEKS JETS

An announcement here revealed that France had contracted with Britain's De Havilland aircraft company for the manufacture of Vampire jet fighters under licence in France.

Mr. Henderson asked the Commons for £207,500,000 for the Royal Air Force, an increase of £18,000,000 over this year.

The Secretary declared: "We are now beginning to put into effect the first stage of our planned programme for increasing front-line Western Union defence and any actions we may be called upon to take as a result of the Atlantic Pact have been settled."

He also hinted that production might start soon on another jet bomber, capable of "flying at greater heights than hitherto", with a pressurized cabin. He added that the RAF would hold two major air exercises to test both air defences and the bomber force.—United Press.

## ROADBLOCKS IN BANGKOK

Bangkok, Mar. 15.—Police manned roadblocks were thrown up in Bangkok again tonight with the most stringent searching of persons and vehicles since the attempts to overthrow the Government on February 28.

One correspondent's car was stopped and he was searched five times within a mile of the city's central area. The searches raised a clue whether the renewed roadblocks were motivated by a manhunt or an arms hunt.—Reuter.

## Facing Spy Charges



New York, Mar. 15.—Valentin Gubitchev, a Russian engineer, stood mute in a U.S. Federal Court today when Judge Simon Rifkind asked him to plead on an indictment accusing him of espionage.

The judge then directed that a plea of not guilty be entered on his behalf and fixed the trial for April 1.

A bail of \$100,000 was continued for this United Nations employee.

He will be tried with Judith Coplon, attractive Department of Justice employee, who is on a \$20,000 bail. She allegedly provided him with U.S. Government documentary information.

Gubitchev, in continuing to refuse to enter a plea, adhered to his contention that he is entitled to diplomatic immunity.—Associated Press.

(Pictures above show Judith Coplon and Gubitchev.)

## STOP PRESS

### May-Kwok Case: Jury Retire

The Preside Judge, Mr. Justice Williams, concluded his summing-up in the FWD larceny case at 1.07 p.m. this afternoon and the jury then retired to consider their verdict.

He will be tried with Judith Coplon, attractive Department of Justice employee, who is on a \$20,000 bail. She allegedly provided him with U.S. Government documentary information.

### Tamil To Die For Carrying Arms

Singapore, Mar. 15.—A former President of the Pan-Malayan Federation of Trade Unions, a 24-year-old Tamil named Ganapathy, was today sentenced to death at Rawang, Selangor Province, for the illegal possession of a .45 calibre revolver.

When arrested, Ganapathy claimed he was on his way to surrender the weapon to the police. He added that he hid in the jungle when the emergency regulations were introduced last June.—Reuter.

## FEDERAL UNION OF ATLANTIC NATIONS ENVISAGED

Washington, Mar. 15.—The former Supreme Court Justice, Mr. Owen Roberts, today announced the formation of the American Citizens Committee to work toward Federal union of the nations which sign the North Atlantic security pact.

Mr. Roberts and the former Secretary of War, Mr. Robert Patterson, told a press conference the Committee would ask Congress to pass a resolution calling for an international convention to explore the possibility of a "Federation of Atlantic democracies."

Mr. Roberts said such a federation would be within the framework of the United Nations.

"A union of the democracies will convince the Kremlin the democracies mean business," said Mr. Patterson. "The Kremlin will immediately see the creation of a federal defence force of nations would be far stronger than any staff agreement between separate nations."

**CHEAPER INVESTMENT**  
Mr. Roberts said the United States would find it cheaper to federate with Europe than to continue paying the cost of European recovery and defence. He said the proposed federation would accomplish three things:

1. Strengthening of the United Nations.  
2. Raising the living standards for all participating countries and lowering of overall defence costs.

3. "It would make democracy so powerful that the Kremlin could not hope to start war with any prospect of success. Another Committee member, the former Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. Will Clayton, said in a statement that an "economic merger of world democracies" was necessary to "strike off the shackles of economic nationalism."

The Committee's officers include Mr. Roberts as President;

Mr. Patterson and Mr. Clayton as vice-presidents; Mr. Walden Moore, former American Military Government official in Germany, as secretary; Mr. Elmo Roper, public opinion analyst, as treasurer.

### WAR PREVENTION

Members include prominent businessmen, religious and civic leaders, publishers, educators and other well-known men and women throughout the nation.

Mr. Roberts expressed the belief that the North Atlantic pact would be an immediate step to prevent war and bring the democracies closer together, but he warned that the pact would not be sufficient in itself to ensure permanent peace.

Mr. Clayton warned in his statement, "Russia is on the march, determined to communise the world."

"There is only one way to stop Russia, short of war. Democracy must be made to work in all those lands which are still free. In economic terms, democracy works when people have more to eat, more to wear and better homes in which to live."

"This rising standard of living can only be realized in the modern world by increasing the world's productive capacities, through striking off the shackles of economic nationalism and by reducing armaments."—United Press.

## No More Jap War Trials

Washington, Mar. 15.—The Far Eastern Commission has decided that there will be no further trials of Japanese on charges of having "planned, prepared or conspired to wage a war of aggression."

A directive to this effect has been sent to General Douglas MacArthur, Supreme Commander of Allied Forces in Japan.

One effect of the decision is to render even less likely the possibility that Emperor Hirohito may one day be charged with having planned or conspired in an aggressive war.

Previous policy decisions by the Commission have mechanically left the Allies free to take whatever action they felt desirable against the Emperor, but it has been considered in the interest of Japanese democratization to grant the Emperor immunity to war criminal proceedings.

### CLOSING THE DOOR

The Emperor could only be charged as a class "A" criminal, and the Commission's decision is regarded as further closing the door on the prospect of action against him.

The Commission emphasised today that trials of class "B" and "C" offenders—violation of the laws and customs of war, and crimes against humanity, such as murder, extermination and enslavement—will continue.

The decision is a formal acknowledgment by the Commission that all Japanese who could be successfully prosecuted on these so-called cases of "A" crimes have already been tried and either convicted or discharged.

It is designed, a Commission official explained today, to remove uncertainty about the possibility of them being charged as class "A" criminals from the minds of the Japanese and thus to have a beneficial psychological effect on the Japanese population as a whole.—Reuter.

## VAIN ATTEMPT BY EIGHTY CONVICTS TO ESCAPE

Paris, Mar. 15.—Eighty convicts in Beauregard Prison, near Paris, were today wondering what informer gave away their escape bid to the warders. Last Sunday, the men completed a 100-foot tunnel which they had carved out with spoons and forks every night for three months.

One by one the men crawled through. But as each prisoner emerged blinking into the light, warders whisked him back into jail. The first three out to "freedom" put up a fight, then panic broke out in the tunnel and armed warders at either end were able to herd the men back to their cells.

The door of nearly every cell in the prison before shots, fired by the warders, brought help. No prisoners escaped.—Reuter.

### SPoons AS SPADES

The prisoners, political agitators, petty thieves and hardened lifers, began the tunnel in a cell from which they tore the floor boards. Each night they took it in turns to scrape away the earth in damp and darkness as they lay on their stomachs—first with spoons and forks, and later with empty fruit tins.

They brought out the soil in their pockets, emptying it into a prison lavatory.

As the tunnel progressed, the men dug more feverishly. At their morning roll-calls, they hid their bleeding hands and broken nails.

Last Sunday morning, the signal was given for a final break-through. The men hoped to emerge into a small wood and bolt for Paris in the heavy rain. But the warders had had the signal too. With the help of security guards, they soon had the men back in prison.

### THREE AT LARGE

Three men who had escaped from Beauregard by less elaborate methods, a week ago were still at large today.



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## EDITORIAL

### Staggering Expenditure

THIS afternoon the Financial Secretary will present to Legislative Council estimated public expenditure for 1949-50 amounting to the staggering sum of \$179,586,970, which is nearly \$30 million more than the current year's estimates. It will be sombrely observed that this is an all-time record depending on the part of the Colony, and Mr. Folows may have a little difficulty in explaining just why such a huge bill is necessary. Many items in the published abstract of estimated expenditure call for enlightenment, which, presumably, will be forthcoming today. The most astonishing sub-head is Subventions for which next year \$13,250,877 has been allocated compared with a mere three quarters of a million dollars for the current twelve months. Hitherto subventions have covered grants and subsidies to a variety of charitable and social welfare organisations. Last budget day these aids were increased from the 1947-48 total of \$193,860 to \$750,730, which included six new grants, three transfers from the Miscellaneous Services heading, and one transfer from the Medical Department heading. That increase at the time was recognised as being reasonable, but whether there will be similar reactions to the proposed new expenditure which makes it the third biggest item in the list of estimates is somewhat doubtful. There is a limit to what Hongkong can afford to pay in subsidising charities, and when the total represents nearly eight percent of the budget, the question arises whether that limit is not being exceeded. The explanation for this startling increase in subventions may turn out to be that a number of grants and subsidies hitherto shown under other headings have been transferred to that of Subventions, but if it is shown that it is proposed to distribute an additional twelve and a half million dollars to organisations and institutions which

this year were happy to share \$750,000, the proposition is not likely to meet with general approval. While the biggest single increase is Subventions, it is worth noting that Miscellaneous Services are up by eight million dollars, much of which probably is absorbed by additional high cost of living allowances, while it is possible a more substantial grant is needed by the Hongkong University. Public Works Extraordinary shows an increase of nine million dollars, while a further two million is demanded for Public Works Recurrent. A better appreciation of what this means in terms of public services will be gained when the itemised accounts are available, but it can be reasonably assumed that most of this additional expenditure is to be absorbed by long-term projects the cost of which is being spread over a number of years. The prospects of any big new undertaking for the general benefit of the public being put in hand under the 1949-50 estimates are fairly slight. The Police Department is calling for nearly two million more dollars, but there will be little cavilling about this, inasmuch that the Force has still to be brought up to full strength, while it is appreciated that to make it as effective as possible it is necessary to provide modern equipment, and facilities for mobility. Two important departments whose estimates are substantially decreased are Education and the Medical Department, the former requiring \$7 million and the latter \$3 million less than the current year. The public will be interested to know how these savings are being brought about. In fact, it can be taken for granted that the Financial Secretary's budget speech will this year attract more attention than it ever has before, more especially that section of it which indicates how it is proposed to raise sufficient revenue to cover expenditure of \$179,500,000.



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**Sonja, 36, is still  
top of the bill**

By **FREDERICK COOK**

**SONJA ON THE ICE**

THE biggest drawing card the American sports world has ever seen, the girl who has worn down every rival, this smiling blonde who looks like a schoolgirl, but is actually one of the great athletes of our time and one of its cleverest business women, is packing them in again at Madison Square Garden.

I'm talking, of course, about little Sonja Henie, who in her time has taken more than £5,000,000 from at least 18,000,000 people (not counting moviegoers), who was Olympic champion in 1928, who can still fill with the utmost ease every one of the Garden's 16,500 seats (top price 30s., cheapest 7s. 6d.) and send the customers away dazzled.

Sonja is 36 now. But she can skate a couple of husky men partners into panting exhaustion, and still go on a couple of hours more with scintillating solo acts. Then walk out and dance half the night.

And she has a wizard capacity for holding on to what she makes and arranging for her money to multiply all by itself.

Today she is boss of her own ice show over at the Garden.

She designs all the costumes. She rehearses the cast. Not an act or a gesture goes into any part of it without her personal approval.

In addition, she runs the semi-permanent ice show across the street in New York's Radio City.

She owns blocks of flats in Chicago, a large wholesale firm not far away, a chunk of real estate in California, including a full-size ice stadium, houses

of her own in fashionable Southampton, Long Island; Florida and Beverly Hills, California.

Sonja's secret is hard work. She lives on the ice, thinks skating, dreams skating. Here's how this little (5ft. 2in.) multimillionaire is spending her time while the Madison Square Garden show is running:

11.5 p.m.—The show goes off. She goes to her dressing room (the one Joe Louis uses when he is the star of the one-night stand), dons a sweater and pair of slacks and rests. She talks things over with her staff.

MIDNIGHT—She dresses and (carrying her skates, which nobody else is allowed to touch) leaves for her hotel. Takes a shower, dresses and goes to a night club for dinner (usually a thick, underdone steak, with champagne). If there is dancing, she dances—vigorously. She leaves about four and sleeps until one.

1 p.m.—A shower and massage, with all hands on deck; her own maid and dresser, her masseuse and her hairdresser. Breakfast (fruit, poached eggs, toast and tea). Then a drive and a three-mile walk. Back to the hotel, more tea and a nap until 4 o'clock.

4 p.m. to 5 p.m.—The time is her own. At five she begins to get ready for certain time again. Another shower, another massage, and a shampoo. Then off to the Garden again.

Sharing her work is a big, ambling, amiable giant of a man (6ft. 4in.) named Arthur Wirtz, a 47-year-old Chicagoan. It was Wirtz who came down to New York to meet Sonja when she landed here in 1936. They have been close friends ever since.

A professor of physical education has estimated that the amount of effort Sonja puts into every single performance is greater than that expended by a heavy-weight boxing champion going the full 15 rounds.

And what do you suppose she weighs?—Just 75t. 4lb.

By **ALICE ALDEN**

**THE PEDAL-PUSHER**, practical and smart, is working its way nicely into the ranks of costumes for the beach as well as for bicycle wear. Celanese tropical cloth in used for this number, which is really a one-piece affair. It has a cleverly devised trimming band that continues to form a pocket over the right hip. The band may be pine green, navy or cinnamon brown, all nice shades to let off the spanking white.

**Leather From  
Salmon Skin**

The Pacific American Fisheries Industry has announced the new product as the latest for millady's shoes and handbags.

The big salmon canning concerns report the new-type leather as a by-product of a new process of preserving the fish with both the skin and the backbone removed. Invention is a development in the food processing technique.

An ingenious attachment removes a thin layer of skin with the fish scales. The resulting leather is described as smooth, pliable and non-porous. It can be tanned and dyed.

Skins of Pacific Coast salmon are large enough to give them an edge over reptile skins for handbags. They are also thicker than reptile skins.

The leather trade is now studying the new creation for possible uses. — Associated Press.

**HOUSEHOLD HINTS**

Whitewash can be removed by applying a solution of a pound of soda dissolved in two and one-half gallons of water. Apply liberally and repeatedly. When it is soapy, it can be scraped off, and the wall washed. Whitewash which is loose and scaly may be removed in part by applying a strong glue size. As the glue dries, it will pull off the whitewash.

Keep the milk in the dark, as light destroys riboflavin, that important B vitamin in milk. Provide a covered box for the milkman to put your milk in when he delivers it.

**Do You Clean Efficiently?**

IT'S a good idea to have a regular schedule for those special cleaning tasks that come every month or two as well as for the daily and weekly chores. Then, with your lists made, time recorded, steps for greater efficiency noted, it is time to put the plan together in order to have a cleaner house by 12 o'clock, and with less effort on your part, too.

The next step is to fit the various jobs that run from daily to weekly to monthly. Into a day-by-day plan that overlooks nothing and yet is evened out so that each day has its fair share.

Your first entries should be in pencil. Use large sheets of paper. Name the different tasks by a key word or two, by a number or letter. In

## A Clothes Revolution In The United Kingdom

By **WINEFRIDE JACKSON**

THE word "utility"—defined in the dictionary as "the state or quality of being useful"—has also acquired a new meaning in Britain during the last few years. It denotes smart fashions of good quality. Today a woman can go into any fashion store and ask for a utility suit, coat or dress and know that at a reasonable cost she can buy a garment of good material that has all the latest fashion details from the London and Paris dress shows.

This revolution in fashion began during the years of World War II. The Government planned to allow a large quantity of good quality cloth to be sold tax-free, and directed manufacturers to make clothes conforming to specifications strictly laid down and had its feeling troubles, naturally, but a lead was given by many prominent manufacturers who realised that although they had been set a problem in designing clothes at rock-bottom prices, it was their own interest that they should succeed. They knew that women would never wear clothes that were unflattering.

**Women Starled**

When the first utility-made-up fashions were launched in 1942, many women were startled and apprehensive at dressing to a government specification, to a gradually the scheme gained the confidence of the public. Women realised that these clothes were a good investment, that they were well and looked smart.

With the launching of the "New Look" in 1947, however, there came a crisis. It was obvious that most women wanted to wear these new flowing lines; the point was could they be made as "utility" or would the scheme break down on this knotty question of fashion?

Government experts, representatives of textile firms and manufacturers thrashed out the matter. The puzzle was how to simplify the new sweeping skirts, the intricately-cut bodices that gave a new rounded shoulder line, the masses of pleats and all the details that went into the designing of a model as first conceived by an expensive dressmaker. It was realised that, to begin

**Pleasing And Feminine**

The result was a pleasing and feminine silhouette that set a new high standard of fashion for utility, and it has even influenced the fashions coming from the leading fashion houses. The result has a slimmer and more practical line will be the vogue in 1949.

Today more and more women are the converts are those who previously paid quite high prices for their dresses. Then apparently they decided that was hardly worth doing so when, within three months of the utility adaptations were being shown everywhere in the shops—the hour-glass silhouette, the slim suit with the new cut-away jacket, the peplum dress, the hooded sweater, and the fly-away coat with the back fullness beautifully tailored and seamed.

This new versatility in utility fashions has been the result of a complete overhaul in mass production. It has brought new high-speed methods of cutting, more scientific sizing to cover most of the vagaries of a woman's figure, and the concentrated training of young workers. There are inspectors, both in factories and shops, to see that the quality of work is maintained and customers are encouraged to thoroughly examine the quality of the clothes before they buy them. Criticisms are sent by the shops to the manufacturers and, if justified, are put right.

**Checks Popular**

Apart from design, utility clothes are kept in line with the smartest fabrics and colours. This year, for instance, checks are popular again and this reflected throughout the utility collections. The new shades which were shown in the collections of highly priced clothes by famous designers are—peppercorn, burnt orange with black, navy with peach-pink, donkey-brown, grey and silver-grey.

The utility scheme in Britain has not only resulted in keeping prices at a reasonable level for goods that are worth the money, thus permitting the average woman to dress well at a cost within her income; it has another achievement as important to its credit. The standards set have resulted in the elimination of those unnecessary trimmings which, in previous days, were often added to suits and dresses in the cheaper grades of clothing in order to hide bad making and design. Today utility clothes are copies of the best styles, not the worst.

**Insect-Proof  
Wardrobes**

The latest movable wardrobes and chests are specially treated to protect clothing from insects and mildew. The inside surfaces are coated with a five percent solution of D-D-T and mildew preventative. The outside surfaces are finished either in a grained blond maple or a dark knotty pine-effect—then coated with plastic to make them easily washable.

The most expensive wardrobe in the line is a little more than five feet high with a full length centre mirror panel. Packed ready to put up when the buyer gets it home, the wardrobe sells for around US\$20.

One of the most inexpensive additions to the line is a chest made to roll easily under the bed.

**Use Herbs for Seasoning**

"I AM glad to see that horticulturists are becoming enthusiastic about experimenting with herbs for seasoning. Good chefs have always used herbs," remarked the Chef. "I would not be able to season well if I did not have my herb tray."

"When I was apprentice to the grand chef, I made this deep wooden cutlery tray with a handle in the middle," he added, lifting it and looking it over with evident satisfaction. "With thin pieces of wood I divided it into eight compartments, one for each of the herbs most used in cooking. Every summer I put in fresh chopped herbs. During the rest of the year I use the dried herbs. They are always ready to give the special touch."

"Ze trick of ze Chef," I teased.

**Each Compartment**

"Always I have sage," he went on smiling and pointing to each compartment. "The sage is for the heavy meats, the pork, sausage, goose and duck. Then I have marjoram, savoury and thyme, each in a compartment. These are more delicate, and should be used with meats and poultry of mild flavour, such as veal, chicken, guinea hen and squab. For lamb and mutton I have mint. For beef I have some chicken dishes I have tarragon. For savoury foods, I have the dried parsley. The garlic and the shallots I keep separate."

"And of course, we always have a pot of herbs growing on the window-sill," I remarked. "They're so good with fish and eggs. But there's one herb that shouldn't be used with eggs, that's sage, for strangely enough it adds a fishy taste. And oregano, or Mexican sage, must be carefully used too."

"I like that in spaghetti sauce," said the Chef. "Of course the good chef is known by the precision, or shall we say, the discretion with which he uses the herbs. It is not usually a good plan to add more than a little of one or two kinds to a dish, and then only enough to give a soupçon, or just a taste, of flavour. And only one or two herb seasoned dishes should be served in the same meal. The object of good seasoning is to bring out the natural taste. It should never be a camouflage."

**Using Herbs**

When starting to use herbs, go easy. In a dish for four persons use about 1 tablespoon minced fresh herbs, or 1 teaspoon dried herb, or from ½ to ½ teaspoon of a powdered herb. If a dried herb is not cooked in the food, as in making a casserole, steep (let it stand), 5 minutes in ¼ tablespoon hot water or liquid



Style and comfort are combined in these pretty navy kid pumps with matching leather soles for flexible comfort.

By **HELEN FOLLETT**

**FEMININE** feet take a lot of punishment. The way many women neglect their poor twining trotters is cruel and inhuman. In many cases they are screaming out for release from the bondage of ill-fitting shoes that produce corns, callouses, in-growing nails. If the sufferer will set out with the stern purpose of finding high grade leather casings with flexible leather soles that provide comfort without pressuring her poor feet will become tranquil.

But will she? Chances are no. She will go to a chiropodist who will give her the necessary treatment, do everything possible to give her relief and who will tell her that the right shoes will be the solution. To this suggestion she will give no heed. She hobbles around in the same lasts, and soon the corns and callouses are back again. It just doesn't make sense.

Wherever there is pressure on the flesh of the foot, nature produces a cushion of dead skin cells as a means of protection. These cushions develop into corns. Removal is only a temporary cure. How much more sensible to wear shoes that are sufficiently wide, give the toes wiggle room, have moderate heels that permit the foot to assume a natural position.

It is bad enough to sacrifice foot health to the false idea as to what is smart or beautiful. It is even worse to destroy the fine lines of the body by poor posture that is bound to appear if one cannot move with grace and ease.

Sore feet mean that correct posture is impossible. The chest is contracted, the abdominal muscles go slack, the ankles thicken. It is a vicious circle.

**Let's Eat**  
BY  
**IDA BAILEY ALLEN**

**Use Herbs for Seasoning**

Many root vegetables are greatly improved in flavour by the use of mint, chives, parsley or marjoram and dried beans become a delightful surprise when seasoned with basil.

**Dinner**

Tomato Soup with Ham Croutons  
Curried Lima Beans  
Apple Custody  
Kale Boston Brown Bread  
Peach Shortcake  
Whipped Topping  
Coffee or Tea (Children)  
All Measurements Are Level  
Recipes Serve Four

**Curried Lima Beans**

Pick over 1 lb plain navy or pea beans; rinse and place in a kettle. Cover with boiling water. Put on a lid and let stand 50 min. Do not drain. Add 2 tsp. salt and ¼ tsp. powdered basil, and slow-broil until tender, from 2 to 2½ hrs. (Or pressure-cook 35 min. at 15 lbs. pressure.) When done the water should be practically absorbed. Combine the beans with a curry sauce. Transfer to an oiled, fireproof casserole, and bake 30 min. in a hot oven, 375 F. to season through and dry out. Accompany with chutney or pickle relish.

**Apple Chutney**

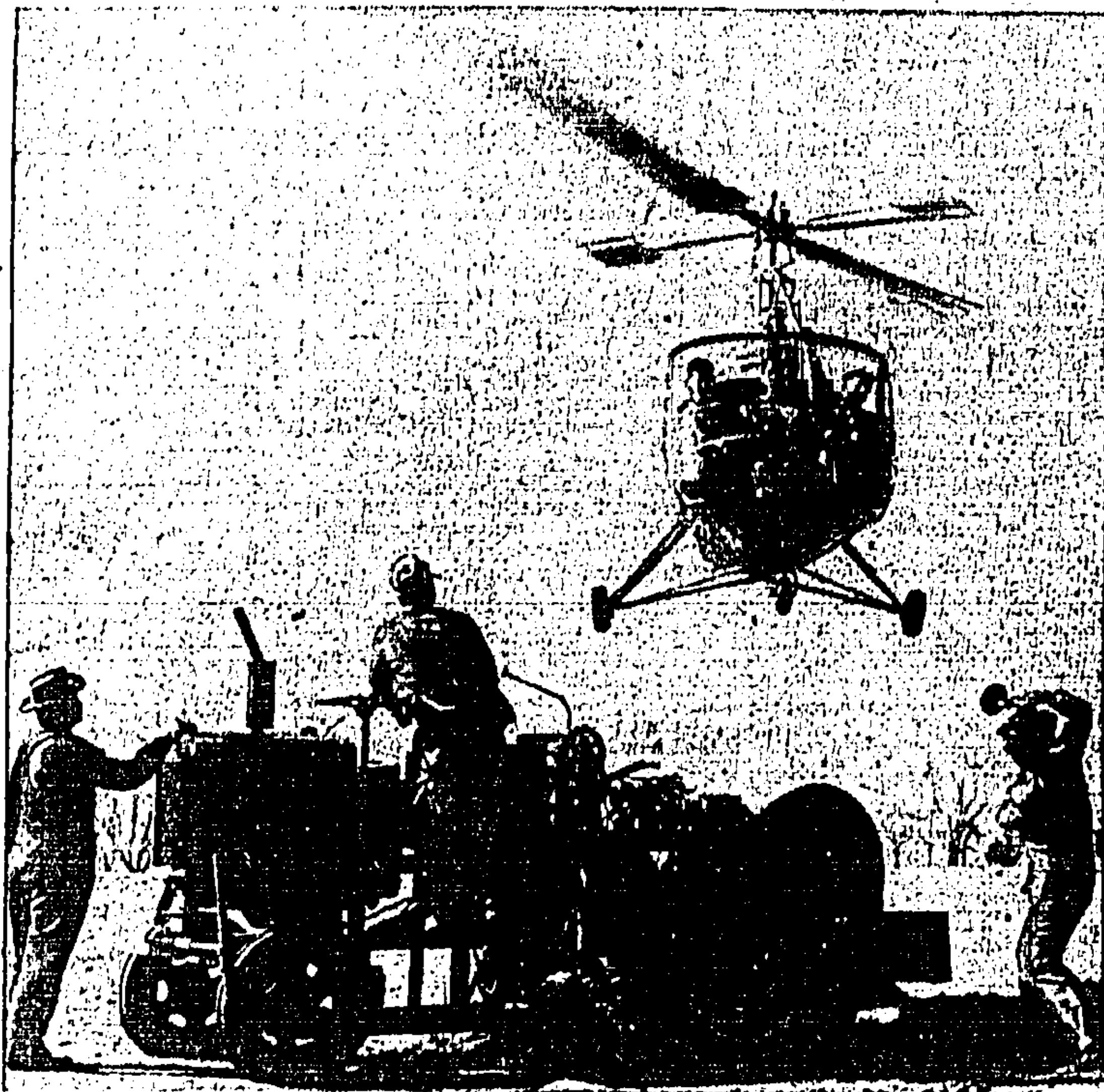
Wash, core, pare and chop 18 tart cooking apples and 1 large peeled onion. Core and seed 3 green peppers and mince fine. Combine the apples, onions and peppers with 1½ c. chopped raisins, 3 c. mild cider vinegar and 1 c. wine vinegar, 1 tsp. salt, 1½ (6 oz.) glasses currant or other tart jelly, 1½ c. granulated or light brown sugar, juice 4 lemons, 1½ tsp. ground ginger and ¼ tsp. cayenne. Stir mixed. Simmer uncovered over a low heat until as thick as jam, about 2 hrs. When the mixture gets quite thick, put on an asbestos mat and finish cooking. Seal boiling hot in sterilized jars.

**Using Herbs**

When starting to use herbs, go easy. In a dish for four persons use about 1 tablespoon minced fresh herbs, or 1 teaspoon dried herb, or from ½ to ½ teaspoon of a powdered herb. If a dried herb is not cooked in the food, as in making a casserole, steep (let it stand), 5 minutes in ¼ tablespoon hot water or liquid



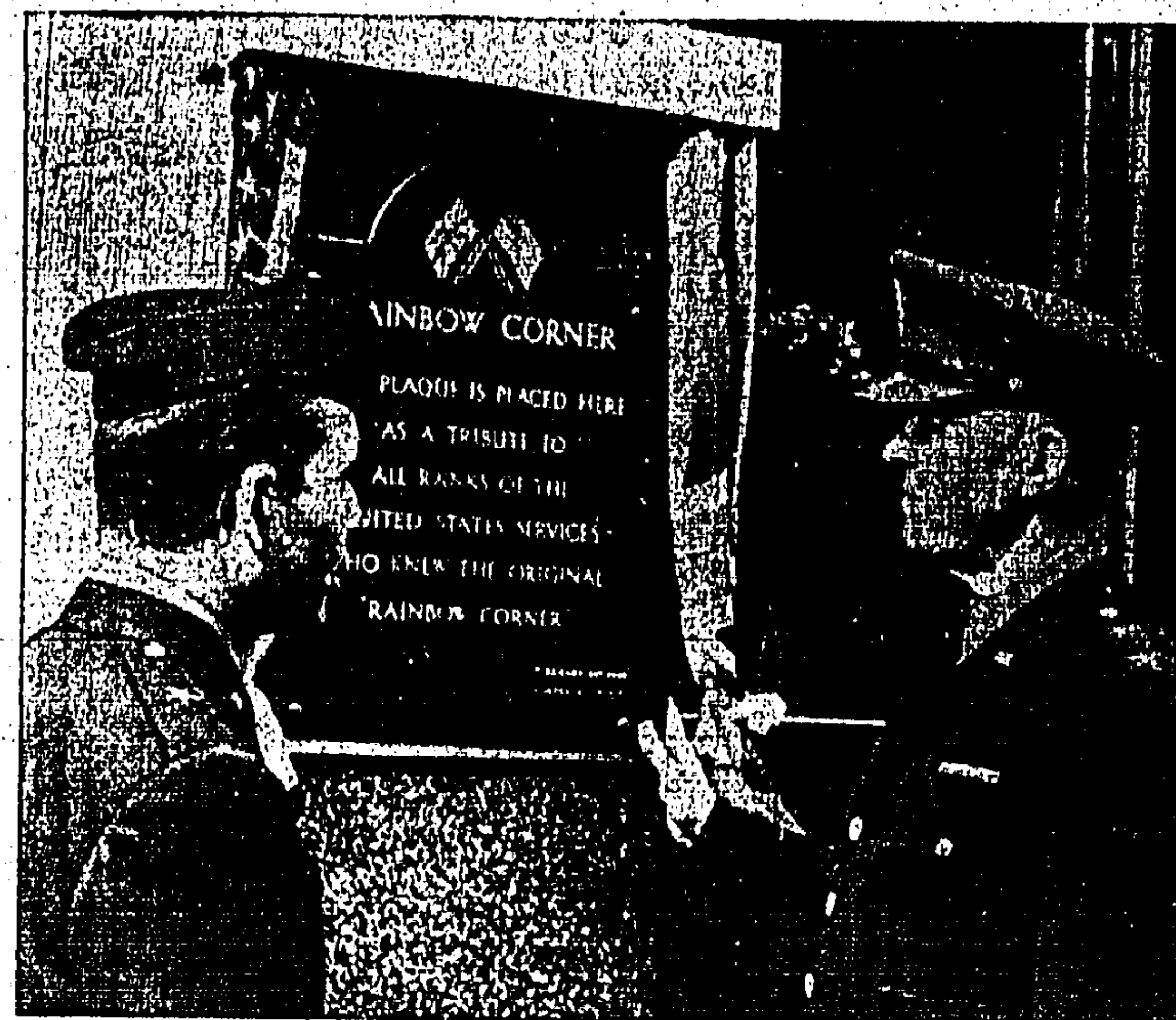
# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



**CROSSING THE STATES**—On a trans-continental flight from Palo Alto, California, to Atlanta, Georgia, this helicopter stops in midair over a golf course in Dallas, Texas. Known as the Hiller 360, the machine covered 54,000 miles in reaching its goal.



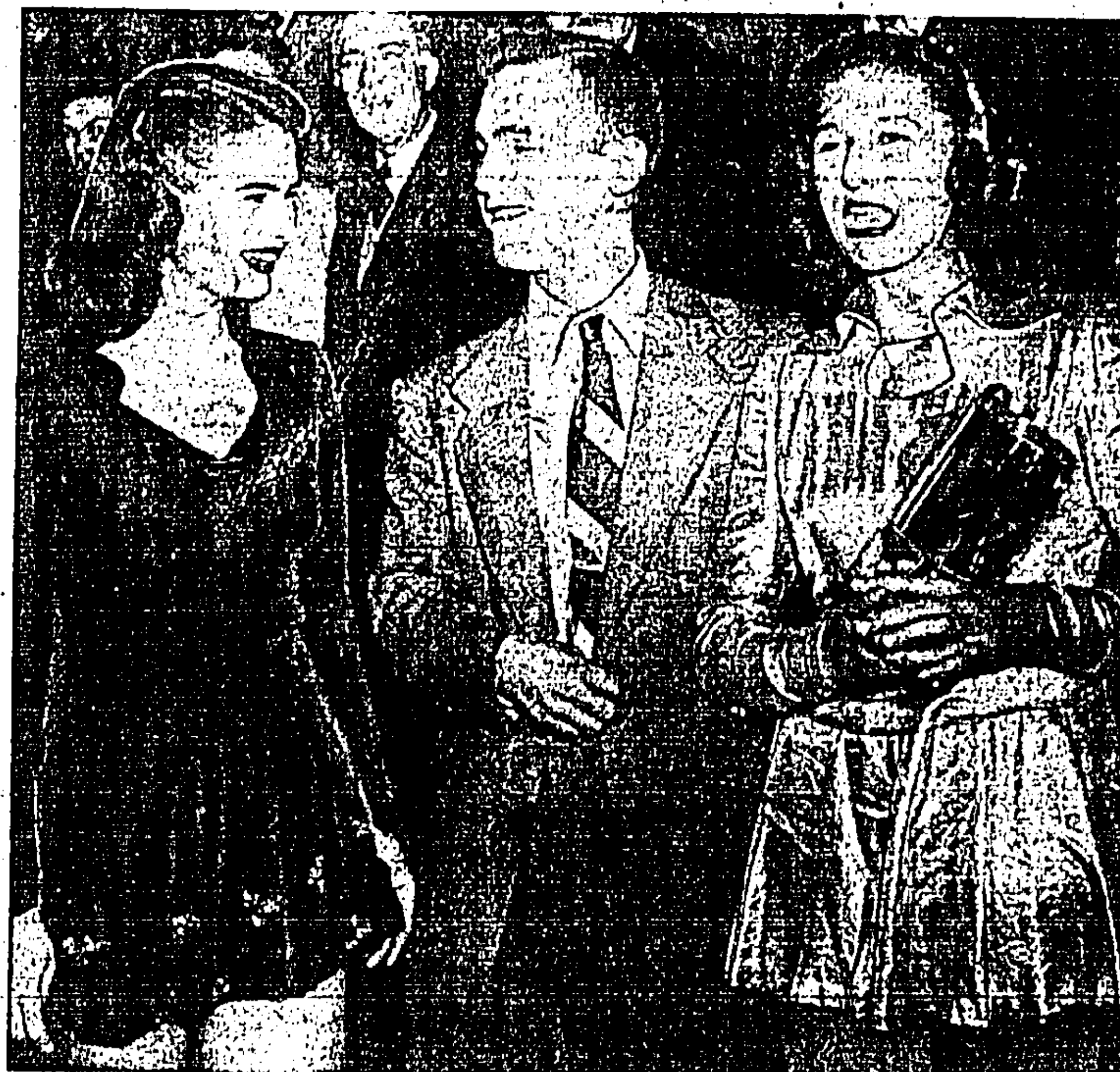
**SELF-DESIGNED**—When Parisian designer Elsa Schiaparelli arrived in New York for a visit, she obligingly introduced a new style. Her matching booties and hat are made of ocelot, and she carries an enormous carry-all handbag.



**FORMER HAVEN**—Attending the unveiling of a plaque at Rainbow Corner, in Piccadilly Circus, London, are Brigadier General John Ackerman, left, and Major John Leonard, of the U.S. Embassy. The wartime recreation centre provided happy memories for thousands of GIs.



**NEW FOURSOME**—En route from Bremerhaven, Germany, to Los Angeles, California, Baby, a cocker spaniel, encountered the stork in Freeport, New York. The bird left a litter of four for Baby to look after. When her new family arrives at the home of Lt. Thomas Pickering, Baby's owner, there will also be an unexpected veterinarian's bill.



**SKATING CHAMPS**—Dick Button, centre, U.S. winner of the men's world figure skating title for the second year, talks in Paris with two other champions. Alena Vrzanova, right, of Czechoslovakia, won the women's title, and Yvonne Sherman, left, of New York, was runner-up. Button and Miss Sherman look elated, but perhaps Miss Vrzanova had reached a language barrier.



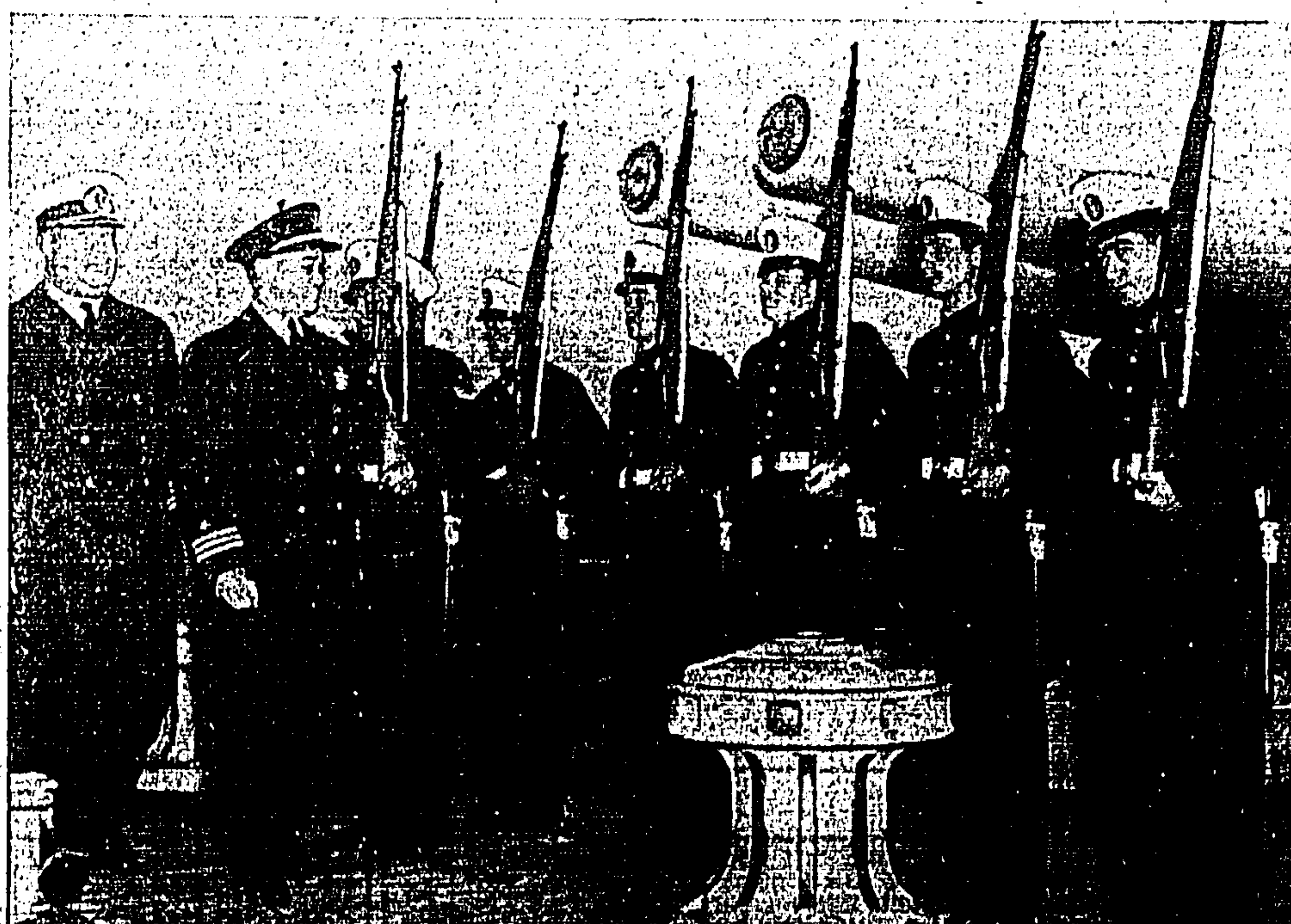
**INTERESTING**—Pat Walcott models a tablecloth-check dress in New York. In black and white cotton, it features an off-shoulder neckline. A bunch of flowers at the waist revives a style of years ago.



**PRACTICE**—Martha Rupp, left, of Springvale, and Alice Hildreth, of Portland, Maine, get in some practice with their college ski team. Four inches of snow graced the slope of Vermont's Bread Loaf Mountain Snow Bowl at the time.



**ACTIVE**—Swedish actress Viveca Lindfors is taking up fencing as a hobby. Believing the sport contributes to grace and poise, she is learning to handle a foil from instructor Fred Cavens, well-known fencing and duelling expert.



**CEREMONY ON VISITING CRUISER**—When the Argentine cruiser, Almirante Brown, arrived in New York on a courtesy visit, it was an occasion for ceremony. Capt. Carlos A. Garzon, the ship's commander, left, here accompanies Comdr. Alvin Robinson, USN, representing the Commandant of the Third Naval District, on an inspection of the guard of honour aboard the cruiser.

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## THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF FREDA UTLEY

BACK in England I throw myself into the work of the British Communist Party, and tried to bury in my subconscious the growing suspicions concerning Soviet socialist life engendered by my year in Tokyo, and by the fortnight I had spent in Moscow on my way home in 1929.

I campaigned for the British Communist Party among the textile workers in Lancashire, and also in Sheffield.

My husband sent me money to live on and I didn't take a penny from the Communist Party, even for my articles and pamphlets.

In speaking to the Lancashire cotton operatives and writing for them, for the first time I came up against the basic dilemma of the Marxist revolution, and the obstacle of the Comintern's cold and selfish indifference to the troubles of the working class, or its fate outside of Russia.

I came up against the Comintern, pursuing an ultra-left policy and insisting that agitation, and agitation alone, was the task of the Communist. We were ordered not to make theoretical explanations, nor to waste our time or energy in exposing the dynamics of capitalism. We were only to foment strikes, to tell the workers to strike, and strike whatever the consequences!

**Sole Objective**

THE Comintern, in fact, was not concerned with the livelihood of foreign workers; it wished only to weaken the capitalist countries by continual strikes and the dislocation of economic life. The sole objective of the Communist International was the safety of Soviet Russia, and it recked nothing of the interests or sufferings of the workers.

Finally I got myself into trouble with the Politbureau of the Party in London by writing an article which the editor of the Communist Review inadvertently had allowed to be published.

Through my article was buttressed by quotations from Lenin, I was told by my Communist superiors that I had deviated seriously from the Party line by maintaining that theory was of primary importance, and an intellectual, accordingly, need not play at being a proletarian, since he had an important part to perform in bringing knowledge of socialism to the working class. I was not directly accused of Trotskyism, but I was held to be slightly tainted with heresy.

Nevertheless, at this stage of my Communist experience, I did not have enough sense to see that nothing good would come out of Soviet Russia, and that the foreign Communist parties were already corrupted and impotent.

**No Passports**

AFTER a year's work in England I went to Moscow, Arcadi having written he would join me there.

After hurrying to Moscow in September to meet Arcadi, I was disappointed to learn that my husband had been ordered to China before coming to Russia. He did not join me until January. I had three months alone in Moscow during which I became aware of what manner of society and government was being created under Stalin.

Yet I did not have the sense to dash off to China to stop my husband from entering the country. How often in future years I was to regret my stupidity! Or was it some last lingering hope which led me to allow him to walk into the spider's web from which he could never again be extricated?

For it was soon clear to me that if Arcadi returned to Russia, he would never get

out again. Almost all the non-Party specialists had been recalled from abroad, and non-passports were issued except to those of unimpeachable proletarian origin or to Communist Party members of long standing.

Arcadi had convinced himself that it was impossible to live in comfort and living in comfort abroad, and that he ought to come home and suffer with the mass of his people. Although a Jew, he was also a Russian, and Russians appear to have a kind of mystical urge to castigate and humble themselves.

Russians seem to be the least individualistic of peoples and the most prone to servility and a kind of mystical masochism. Arcadi was essentially Western in education and ideas, but even he suffered for a while from the Russian martyr complex, so incomprehensible to those of us born and brought up in England or the United States.

**The Terror**

HE could never adapt himself to the conditions of life. Yet he would not, or could not, break away from Russia. He preferred working at a low salary without privilege to obtaining food supplies. He was too much of a Westerner to fawn and beg, too much of a Russian to cut loose and escape.

My English capacity for straight thinking had been dulled by the gray and leaden Moscow atmosphere. The terror, which now began, to oppress my spirits, prevented my writing to him fully and frankly.

If I could have smuggled a letter out to be posted in England! I had no other address than his office in Shanghai.

**NANCY** Intuition



# LOST ILLUSION

This is the third of ten articles by the well-known English writer on her experiences with Russian Communism, in which she exposes the terror of Stalin's despotism and the oppression of the Russian masses by the new Kremlin aristocracy.

where his mail probably was opened and read by an OGPU agent. Anything I wrote critical of the Soviet Union would endanger his life if, after all, he decided to return to Russia.

Although I was aware in my subconscious that our dream was already lost, I clung to my illusions. I would not yet admit, even to myself, that Russia had already gone too far along the road to bureaucratic tyranny.

Life in Russia, as I was soon to find out, consisted in learning the painful lesson that there was far more bad than good, and that the good was disappearing so rapidly that there was soon nothing but bad.

While awaiting Arcadi I lived with his sister, Vera, and her two sons in their tiny two-room apartment. This was the House of the "Political Hard-Labour Prisoners"—those who had done hard labour in Siberia under the Tsar.

Vera had been sent to prison from Poland while still in her teens but escaped later.

Her first child had died as a baby on the long trek in the snow across Siberia to the prison camp. Trying to shield it from the cold she had suffocated it in her arms.

Her second son, Shura, survived and was now a youth of 18 studying engineering at the Moscow University. Vera also had an adopted son, Grisha, whom she had taken in infancy from a poor peasant family in Siberia which had so many children it could not feed them.

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**Cold And Hungry**

THOSE were cold and hungry days. In the morning we had a meal of potatoes, bread and herring. Unable to swallow the raw salted herring, which is the most nourishing food available to the poorer Russians, I subsisted on bread and potatoes until 5 p.m., when four of us shared a dinner for three to which they were entitled. It consisted of cabbage soup and chopped meat balls or pike, that heavy and unappetising member of the shank family, which seems to have been the only fish to survive the Revolution. We ate in the kitchen, which was also the bathroom. Getting a bath was a matter of luck, since we never knew at

what hour and on what days the water would be heated for the hundreds of flats in our building. We were among the privileged. Rarely again in Moscow was I to live in a house where hot water was supplied even once or twice a week.

As I walked the streets the sadness of the atmosphere, the drab, grim-faced crowds, the miserable peasants selling a few rotten apples or picked cucumbers at the street corners, the homeless children, wet and hungry—depressed my spirits.

I spent a good deal of time going to offices inquiring about the flat promised us, and for which we had already paid \$500 in foreign currency and far more in roubles.

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## Sitting on the Fence....by NATHANIEL GUBBINS

"It means I know there's a wedding party still going on somewhere," said the Sparrow, flying off in a great hurry to the Tree Tops Club.

"The head waiter says there will be no safe place for anybody anywhere."

"Is that the gloomy creature with second sight?"

"Yes."

"Well, you can tell him from me that he's wrong. I'm not the sort of person who gets up and says everything's hopeless. I'm a fighter, Muriel. What we must do now is to find a better hotel, with better food, behind a bigger mountain."

"Where?"

"That's for you to find out, Muriel. What do you think you're paid for?"

"I don't know."

"Nor do I. One expects a companion to be cheerful and bright and willing. And, for heaven's sake, stop snuffling into that little screwed-up handkerchief. Get hold of a big one and have a good blow."

"I haven't any coupons."

"Well, borrow some or steal some. Do something. Get out into the air. Head back. Shoulders back. Wake up, Muriel."

"All right."

"I didn't have any dinner last night."

"That was because you had too much at lunch-time. You were always very lucky with your portions."

"I didn't have any more than you."

"Don't argue, Muriel. I have eyes in my head. You had a whole leg of chicken, a generous slice of the breast, a lot of rich stuffing, and too many greasy potatoes. And then you had to fill up with date pudding. I wonder when the war with Russia's going to start."

"Never, I hope."

"We all hope it won't. Muriel. Any fool has enough sense to hope for the best. The point is, if it's not going to start, what are we here for?"

"I don't know."

"You know perfectly well 'we came to the Western Highlands to put a mountain between ourselves and the atom bomb. You chose the hotel, you chose the mountain, and now you say it's no protection at all.'"

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## POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



"If the Government go on fully pointing out to the electors how prosperous we are every day, there's a by-election, the Americans'll be suing us for back payments by Christmas."

## C.V.R. Thompson One word shocker

NEW YORK.

THE big question in America today is: Should the President of the United States use cuss words in public?

President Truman used one, or rather its abbreviated version, in another of his famous impromptu speeches recently. It was applied to the Washington columnist, Drew Pearson.

Pearson has been attacking President Truman's bluster military aide, Major-General Harry Vaughan, for accepting a medal from the Argentines.

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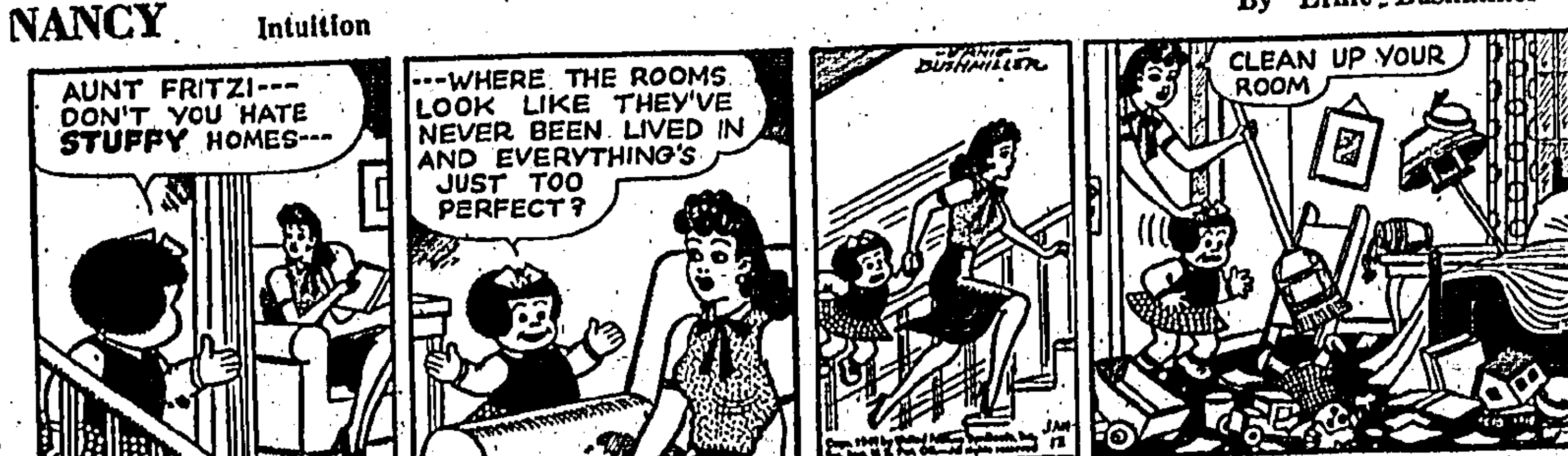
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By Ernie Bushmiller



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# PWD Larceny Trial

## Summing-Up

Mr Justice Williams in the Criminal Sessions this morning began his summing-up in the PWD larceny trial in which Kwok Kwong, 47, foreman, and Arthur Frederick May, 41, electrical inspector grade I, are charged with three counts of theft of Government property and three of falsification of documents with intent to defraud the Government of money.

Kwok is not legally represented, but May is defended by Mr A. J. Clifford, instructed by Mr J. C. Stewart, while Mr A. Hooton, Crown Counsel, is for the prosecution, assisted by Mr J. Johnston, ASP.

Addressing the jury of five men and two women, Mr Justice Williams said he would like to draw their attention to an observation made by the defence Counsel that May was a man of good character and had done good work and that, therefore, he was a man of all people who had a right to expect that he be given a British trial.

"I don't think that Counsel meant to say that he has a right above any other person because this right to fair trial is one that every person possesses, whether he is a British subject or not," said his Lordship.

"I don't think that Counsel meant to say that you should give greater concern to May's case than to the case of first accused. This case arises out of the use of Government materials in private jobs. There is no need for me to tell you that the same rights of property attach to the Government as they do to private individuals. That property must be protected in the same way as the property of an ordinary individual and there is no difference," said his Lordship.

He then went on to explain that he had striven to make before the jury the evidence of the witnesses who knew best about the matter and had tried to shut out the evidence of the accused. He said he would prefer the jury to use the evidence that each accused had given as regards their own case. It was difficult to separate that evidence and he would ask the jury to try their best to bear that in mind when considering their verdict.

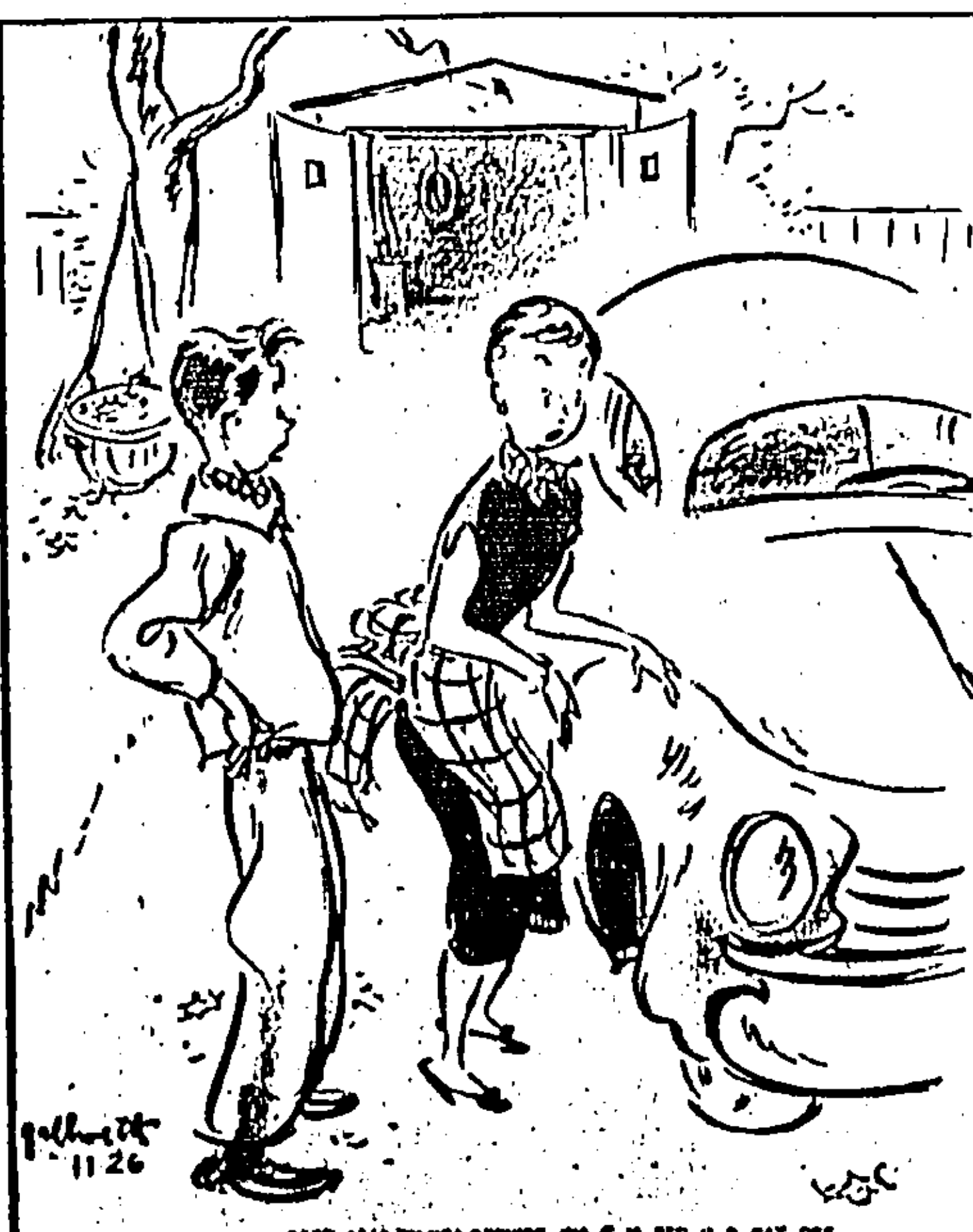
His Lordship then dealt briefly with the case for the Crown and the defence and explained that a person could be guilty of larceny though using an innocent agent to do it.

It was no defence in law for a person to say that he stole because he was ordered to do so. May's defence was that he never issued any orders to take the material nor did he know that it had been taken. He had signed the daily distribution and delivery reports as a matter of routine and had no knowledge that there was anything false in the returns.

His Lordship then reviewed the evidence and said that the jury would have no difficulty in deciding that the witness put into Dr Thomas's house at Pokfulam was Government property but there was a conflict of evidence regarding the names put into Heilmeyer's office in Prince's Building, as Kwok Kwong had stated that only part of it was Government property.

Regarding the relationship of various persons connected with the case, his Lordship said that he would only state that Kwok Kwong was a clansman of Ho Tung, who was missing, and that May was a brother-in-law.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Mom, if you tell Pop before I get it fixed, you'll break our bi-partisan alliance—and then where will you be?"

## Disaffection Spreading In Burmese Army

London, Mar. 15.—Official reports reaching London from Burma today said that the Karen rebel forces had gained control of practically the entire country, except for the capital of Rangoon.

Disaffection is spreading among Burmese Army units, according to reports. Units drawn from the hill tribes were reported to be showing "an increasing tendency to join forces with the Karens."

In London, meanwhile, Viscount Addison told the House of Lords that Britain was withdrawing its military mission to Burma.

He said: "In view of the closing down of the Army Staff training college at Maymye where a part of the military mission was established, it was decided to withdraw our personnel and families."

Viscount Addison said the work of the mission was unavoidably ended, and the British Government had suggested to the Burmese Government that officers and men could be sent to the purpose for which they were posted to Burma and should be released for service elsewhere.

British nationals today evacuated Maymye, 40 miles from Mandalay in Central Burma. The British Consul left by air with seven other British subjects, thus completing the evacuation, except for a few civilians who have chosen to remain on their own responsibility.—United Press.

## British Women Indulge In Shopping Spree

London, Mar. 15.—British women literally went to town by the thousands to celebrate the first day of ration-free clothing for eight years.

The main items on their shopping lists were lingerie and household linen. Housewives flocked into all big London stores. Shops reported a rush for underclothes, sheets, tablecloths and towels.

The biggest rush was for cotton utility shoes and some stores started up their rationing system, restricting customers to three pairs each. The small customer was looked after first. Big orders from hotels and boarding houses will have to wait.

Easter brides also went shopping today, now that they can have white weddings without spending the whole family's coupon allowance.

Despite the belief that women previously had deprived their menfolk of their clothing coupons, men's shops reported "no rush, the reason—no money."

When coupons were short, women spent their own coupons and their husbands' on outer wear. They were reluctant to use coupons on clothing worn only for housework and on underwear.

Today they were buying as many as three and four sets of expensive lingerie at a time, and cotton pinfibre dresses and overalls.—Reuter.

mic crisis was bright.

## SCAP Closes Moscow-Tokyo Cable Link

Tokyo, Mar. 15.—Allied Headquarters today ordered the Japanese government to suspend the operation of the Tokyo-Moscow radio-telegram circuit. The order said merely that "owing to administrative difficulties, no messages of any classification will be received or transmitted" over the circuit after 1 a.m. on March 16.

A Headquarters spokesman said the "difficulties" were disagreements between the Soviet government and the Headquarters on accounting methods for the payment of tolls.

The order emphasised that messages between Japan and the USSR might continue to be circulated by other radio-telegram or cable routes authorised by the Allied Headquarters. Colonel M. P. Echols, General MacArthur's information officer, said there was no question of censorship or the cutting of communications between Japan and Russia.—United Press.

## Travel To Continent

### Sterling Allowance To Be Raised

London, Mar. 15.—An announcement that the sterling allowance to holiday-makers allowing to travel to Europe is to be raised this year from £35 to £50 is expected within the next 48 hours.

The allowance will cover at least 11 countries—France, Belgium, Holland, Switzerland, Spain, Portugal, Norway, Denmark, Austria, Italy and Luxembourg.

Travel to Switzerland and Belgium, both of which are hard currency countries, will be limited by quota. Belgium is believed to be the only country in the list not included in last year's arrangements. Sweden is expected to be excluded.

It is likely that this year's arrangements will include a small supplementary allowance for those wishing to travel to the continent by car. This allowance would be to cover incidental expenditure on petrol, oil and other requirements.

Travellers by rail may buy their tickets in Britain, which means that they do not need to cut their allocation of sterling for their fares.—Reuter.

## Explosive Radios Sold

Detroit, Mar. 15.—Owing to a slip by an undisclosed government agency, radio sets containing explosives have been sold to the public as "war surplus."

The number was said to be about 1,500, but not all contained both explosives and detonators, which were designed to destroy the sets if their capture appeared imminent during the war.

The authorities have warned persons who bought the sets, at a mere fraction of their cost, of the danger they face.—United Press.

## Egyptian Armistice Signed



Delegates from Israel and Egypt sign armistice, settling territory disputes and ending hostilities between the two nations, on the Island of Rhodes. Top—Col. Mohammed Ibrahim Seif El-Din (centre), chief of Egyptian delegation, signs armistice as fellow delegates Col. Kamel El Kahman (left) and Col. Humail Sherrine watch. Bottom—Dr Walter Eytan (right), of Israel foreign office, hands copy of armistice to Col. Yigael Yadin, chief of operations of Israeli army.—AP Picture.

## Portugal May Join North Atlantic Pact

Washington, Mar. 15.—The Portuguese and United States Governments are discussing the possibility of Portugal joining the North Atlantic Security Alliance, Reuter learned authoritatively here today.

The talks are being conducted in Lisbon between the Portuguese authorities and the American Ambassador, Mr Lincoln McVeagh.

The most important point under discussion in Lisbon, according to usually well-informed sources here, is whether Portugal would be required to make bases, in either Portugal or the Azores, available to the other signatories of the pact in peacetime and particularly to the United States.

Portugal is understood here to have made it clear that she does not wish to make bases available in peacetime, except as outlined in existing agreements.

It is regarded in Washington as improbable that Portugal will be able to reach a decision in time to join in the negotiations of the Alliance by the representatives of the United States, Canada, Britain, France, Norway, Belgium, Luxembourg and Holland.

These negotiators are expected to hold their last meeting here today and the text of the pact is due to be published next Friday. It is still hoped, however, that Portugal will be able to reach a decision in time to be a founder signatory of the pact in April.

Portugal made an agreement with the United States in January, 1947, by which facilities were granted to the Americans for air transport between the two countries during unsettled European conditions.

This agreement has several more years to run, but it is stressed in official Washington circles that there is no connection between this agreement and the proposed North Atlantic Pact, and Portugal would not accept any such connection.—Reuter.

### US CONFERENCE

Washington, Mar. 15.—The State Department has summoned a "national conference in American foreign policy" to meet here this week for discussions which will include the North Atlantic Security Pact.

Mr Francis Russell, Director of Public Affairs, told the United Press today that the policy conference will be similar to the three or four held in the past two years.

Approximately 200 persons will attend, representing business, farm, labour, religious, civic, foreign policy, scientific, educational and veterans organizations.

Besides the general conference, special sessions of President Truman's plan to furnish American technical and scientific assistance for the economic improvement of under-developed areas of the world.—United Press.

## Deserters From Foreign Legion Tell Their Story

Canton, Mar. 15.—Joseph Ryehtera, a 23-year-old Czech, is languishing in a Canton gaol charged with illegally entering China from French Indo-China. But he is not complaining. He says a Chinese gaol is "good" next to the "foreign legion" from which he deserted in October while on duty in Indo-China.

Ryehtera, James P. Ryan, an American sailor, and two Germans reached Canton on March 1 after four months in Southwest China.

They are all charged with illegal entry, but as Ryan is listed by the United States Navy as a deserter he has been handed into US custody and taken to Japan.

Ryehtera said he fled from Czechoslovakia when the Communists took over and his parents were put in a concentration camp.

The French caught him passing through their zone on the way to the British zone of Germany. They told him he could either join the French Foreign Legion or return to Czechoslovakia.

"If I had known what it was going to be like I would have gone back home," Ryehtera said. He added:

"There are many people fleeing to the iron curtain who get caught in the legion. They find life there even worse than in Communist countries. The Gestapo and Soviets have a lot to learn from the foreign legion when it comes to brutality."

### "BURNED ALIVE"

Ryehtera and his German friends say they fear more than anything else being forced to go back to Indo-China. "We have seen captured deserters from the legion burned alive," Guenther Ehrhardt claimed.

They are shot in the legs to make them fall down. Kerosene is poured on them and a match applied.

Ehrhardt, who comes from the Soviet zone of Germany, says he fled to the French zone when the Russians threatened to put him to work in the uranium mines at Auer-Ober-Schleimar in Saxony.

"Conditions in the mines are terrible," he declared. "The town is surrounded by barbed wire to keep out spies. It is just like a huge concentration camp."

The youngest of the trio of escapees is Frederick Goretzki, 18. He crossed from the British 15th French zone one night early in 1948 to steal potatoes for his widowed mother and small brother.

He said he was picked up by the French and his mother had not heard from him since.—Associated Press.

## European Council Session Ends

London, Mar. 15.—The European Western Union Consultative Council tonight ended a two-day session here, during which it considered what further measures member States should take to increase production of military supplies and equipment in view of the forthcoming conclusion of the North Atlantic Security Alliance.

An official communique, announcing this, added that the Council also decided to start discussions to set up the proposed Council of Europe on an Ambassadorial level in London on March 28.

A Foreign Ministers' conference on this date was impossible because all Western Union Foreign Ministers would then be travelling to Washington to sign the Atlantic Pact.

It was therefore decided that the London Ambassadors of the powers concerned should meet on March 28 and that the Foreign Ministers should confer in London in April.

The communique, issued by the Secretary General of the Brussels Treaty Permanent Commission, said: "The fifth meeting of the Consultative Council... considered the latest developments in connection with the North Atlantic Pact."

"The Council examined various aspects of the problems of the joint defence of the five powers. It considered what further measures should be taken particularly in regard to the production and financing of military supplies and equipment."

Tonight's communique followed a four-hour session of the Council.—Reuter.

## Improvement In Malaya

London, Mar. 15.—Colonial Office officials said today that the situation in Malaya was improving.

An official spokesman said: "Reports from Malaya today said that there had been steady and considerable improvement in the situation during the last three months. Nobody regards the situation with complacency, but from all accounts it is quite clear that things have improved recently."—United Press.

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## U.S. AID TO CHINA TO CONTINUE?

Washington, Mar. 15.—Mr John Kee, Chairman of the United States House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee, today introduced a bill providing authority to continue the present Chinese relief programme until the end of the year.

No additional funds would be supplied and military aid is not contemplated.

The present \$24,500,000 programme expires on April 3. The new bill would make any unspent balance available from then until December 31. Committee officials said the present balance is about £14,000,000.

Congress would still have to pass a separate bill appropriating more money for Chinese relief operations. Mr Kee's bill would let the President give aid to recipients other than the Chinese Nationalist government. Thus it might be handled through an organization like the Red Cross.—Associated Press.



## COLONY TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

# Open Singles Quarter-Finals At HKCC Today

By "RECORDER"

Weather permitting, the quarter-finals of the Colony Grass-court Open Tennis Championships will be played off at the HKCC this evening.

The large crowd expected will find it extremely difficult to decide which of the four matches to watch and there will be much wandering from one court to another unless one of the underdogs suddenly forges into a lead over his more favoured opponent.

I think the best bet for an upset will be on Court 4 where the Java player, Lee Boon-sing, meets Tsui Wai-pul, the defending champion. Neither has been very steady lately but Lee, I think, plays that type of game that could unsettle the elder Tsui.

In an aggressive game played on a court not as fast as usual, Lee could be a match for Tsui Wai-pul. He will have to devise tactics to rattle Tsui's command of the game from the baseline and should he pull Tsui up to a volleying and short-hitting duel, he will hold just that little bit of advantage that, coupled with steadiness, may produce an upset.

The elder Tsui is no novice in a volleying game but he lacks the Java player's ability to make up his mind fast on where the ball is to be scored.

## CHOA v. IP

The match between George Choa and Ip Koon-hung (Colony Champion last year) is likely to draw most of the crowd in the early stage of the evening.

Few will concede George Choa an ability to upset Ip and I doubt that he will. George, however, if he has mapped out a plan of campaign, he may give Ip the game of his life in this part of the world.

Choa hasn't the command of strokes that Ip Koon-hung has but he has balancing factors among these being a confident approach to get play and an ability not to get caught on the wrong foot.

If his courtcraft does not suggest a master strategist, it is the best that can be expected to lose many points through unpreparedness for Ip's change of pace.

## TSUI v. HAWTHORN

J. B. Hawthorn took a set off Segalen in the HKCC Singles Championship yesterday evening and looked to me the best non-Chinese player in the Colony, steady in baseline play, with a fine backhand drive, a good command of pace, fair strategic conception and, most important, a temperament that acknowledges defeat only when he has conceded match point.

Bringing these qualities into play against Tsui Wai-pul, he will find in his opponent a player with stamina and match-temperament.

The younger Tsui has seldom been in such good form, particularly in the Singles, as he has been this year and it will require all that Hawthorn can produce in steadiness and strategy to stave off defeat in straight sets.

Should the match go to three sets, the odds on Hawthorn winning will rise appreciably. Tsui, one can be sure, will be taking no chances.

## SEGALEN v. LEUNG

The indefatigable Segalen, idol of that part of the gallery

## Arthur Peall says:

A WARNING against the most popular game played in the Colony today is to be issued by the Hong Kong Tennis Association. It is a warning that the game is not only a waste of time but also a waste of money.

The warning is issued in the form of a booklet which will be distributed to all members of the Association. It is a booklet which will be distributed to all members of the Association.

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that likes the impossible return, meets Roch Leung. The Chinese player, regarded as one of the CRC's best, is not outstanding in any one particular department of the game. He is a typical all-rounder, seldom flashy or spectacular, a plodder who advances by slow strokes to the net as the rally goes on, steady wherever he is.

## British Tennis Rankings

London, Mar. 15.—

The National handicap lists of the British Lawn Tennis Association, tantamount to official ratings, today placed Tony Mottram and Mrs Jean Bostock at the heads of the men's and women's divisions.

In the men's section, Geoffrey Paish was second and tied for the third were Henry Billington, Donald Butler, Czeslaw Spychala and Ignace Tloczynski.

Mrs Betty Hilton was second in the women's division.—United Press.

and possessed of an ability to maintain command of the pace. Segalen should beat him but may not. Though the enterprise is not readily discernible in Roch Leung's play, it is there and his slowly developed plans should find enough time to materialise in should Segalen treat him the same way he treated Au Kam-moon in their first match.

If Leung will gamble more this evening on the volley, he may rattle Segalen. Variation in pace will also help him, but here he will have to be careful that Segalen doesn't steal a march and keep him on the run.

## YESTERDAY'S FEATURE

Feature of the two matches in the Open Doubles yesterday evening was that in which the Portuguese pair, F. M. Ribeiro and T. E. Rodrigues, took six games off the Tsui brothers, an excellent achievement for a pair playing in its first tournament.

Both showed considerable promise. Ribeiro was the more mature player of the two, his partner obviously a well-coached beginner. Had both, and Rodrigues especially, more experience of match play, it is conceivable that they would have taken the Tsuis to three sets.

In addition to the games they won, the Portuguese pair were holding the advantage point in several they lost more on "nerves" than on anything else.

Both have a fine command of strokes and Ribeiro has, additionally, a very promising judgement in the volley and good sense in pace.

The two played together the same evening at the KCC in the Open Badminton Championships Junior Doubles and won.

## THE RESULTS

The results were:  
Colony Open Doubles  
Tsui Wai-pul and Tsui Yung-pul beat F. M. Ribeiro and T. E. Rodrigues 6-3, 0-3.

Lee Wai-long and K. H. Ip beat Lee Yoo-wing and Wong Shiu-wing 6-1, 0-2.

## Club Singles

J. D. Mackie beat D. Nolan, 6-0, 0-1.

B. T. M. Jones beat P. H. Bonnerman, 6-0, 0-2.

M. Heenan beat J. L. C. Pearce, 6-1, 0-1.

## TODAY'S GAMES

Colony Open Singles

(Quarter-finals)

Court 1: K. H. Ip v. George Choa

Court 2: Tsui Yung-pul v. J. B. Hawthorn

Court 3: Roch Leung v. R. Segalen

Court 4: Lee Boon-sing v. Tsui Wai-pul

Club Handicap Singles

Court 5: W. J. D. Cooper v. J. D. Mackie

Court 6: M. A. D. Clinton v. K. J. Riddy

## FANLING GOLF

There was a good turn out at Fanling for the Captain versus Secretary match, 23 a side playing. The result was very close, the Secretary's side winning by 31/4 to 27 points.

Full details, with numbers of the Captain's team first, were:  
Singles—Robb 0, Wallace 1; Gillum 0, Collins 1; Cowperthwaite 1, Bathurst 0; Caulfield 0, Walker 1; Mitchell 1, D. Mackie 1; J. D. Mackie 1, Goldman 1; Morris 1, Barry 1; Sun 1, Day 0; Stewart 1, Douglas 0; Propriet 1, Lissman 0; Hunter 1, Carter 1; C. L. Robertson 1, Lindner 1; Lydall 0, Heath 0; Bone 1, Gordon 0; Cleland 1; Salisbury 1, D. Hing 1; Jackson 1; Stubb 0; Davidson 0; Tan 1; Alton 0; Whelpton 1; MacIntyre 0; de Vries 1; Hing 1; Prince 0; Patterson 0; Nicholas 1; Pattinson 1; Miller 0; Bailey 1; Groves 0; Kite 1; Chas 1; Waller 1; Young 1.  
Total—Captain's team 12; Secretary's 17/4.

Fourmen—Gordon 1, D. Mackie 0; Bathurst 1, J. B. Lusk 1; Wallace—Sommerfeldt 0, Cowperthwaite—Heath 1, Lydall—Walker 1; Gillum—Lindner 0, Collins—J. D. Mackie—Goldman 1; Morris—Barry 1; Sun 1, Day 0; Stewart 1, Douglas 0; Propriet 1, Lissman 0; Hunter 1, Carter 1; C. L. Robertson 1, Lindner 1; Lydall 0, Heath 0; Bone 1, Gordon 0; Cleland 1; Salisbury 1, D. Hing 1; Jackson 1; Stubb 0; Davidson 0; Tan 1; Alton 0; Whelpton 1; MacIntyre 0; de Vries 1; Hing 1; Prince 0; Patterson 0; Nicholas 1; Pattinson 1; Miller 0; Bailey 1; Groves 0; Kite 1; Chas 1; Waller 1; Young 1.  
Total—Captain's 15; Secretary's 14.  
Grand total—Captain's 27; Secretary's 17/4.

The final of the Mixed Foursomes was also played and was won by Mr & Mrs R. R. Coombs by 4 and 2. Further matches were played in the afternoon, including the semi-final stage with Messrs Heath and Cowperthwaite and the final stage with Messrs Lusk and Walker.

Entries for the G. M. Young Cup, presented by Mr G. M. Young in 1927, to be a perpetual challenge cup and to be played for between teams at present of four players from any bank or firm, match play, will be made to be played out on the 18th hole, singles and fourballs to count one point and fourballs 2, in the event of a tie on points the match is decided by holes.

The Ladies' annual meeting is being held at Fanling on Monday and Tuesday, March 21 and 22.

## New Classification For Race Ponies

The following are the alterations to the Jockey Club Classification List—To Class 1 (Ponies of 1949), High Speed.

To Class 4 (Ponies of previous seasons), Seaside, The Chief.

To Class 5 (Ponies of previous seasons), Jeep Hing, Victorious.

To Class 6 (Ponies of 1949), Jasmin, Jennifer.

To Class 7 (Ponies of previous seasons), A Grand Time, Jump Bid, Marber, Souvenir, Windermere.

To Class 8 (Ponies of 1949), Forever Spring.

To Class 9 (Ponies of previous seasons), Al Fresco, Corrie Doo, Rosemarie, Sapientia, Strathnamara, Sulphur.

To Class 10 (Ponies of 1949), Busy Bee, Radiator.

To Class 11 (Ponies of 1949), Hop Yick, Sharpshooter.

To Class 12 (Ponies of 1949), Hop Yick, Sharpshooter.

To Class 13 (Ponies of 1949), Hop Yick, Sharpshooter.

To Class 14 (Ponies of 1949), Hop Yick, Sharpshooter.

To Class 15 (Ponies of 1949), Hop Yick, Sharpshooter.

To Class 16 (Ponies of 1949), Hop Yick, Sharpshooter.

To Class 17 (Ponies of 1949), Hop Yick, Sharpshooter.

To Class 18 (Ponies of 1949), Hop Yick, Sharpshooter.

To Class 19 (Ponies of 1949), Hop Yick, Sharpshooter.

## CHAMPION'S GREETING



Alena Vrzanova, of Czechoslovakia, is kissed by the men's champion, Dick Button, of U.S., after she won the women's figure-skating title.

## MCC TOUR ENDS

## UNBEATEN IN 23 MATCHES

Capetown, Mar. 15.—The unbeaten MCC completed their successful tour of South Africa today with an easy win over Combined Universities by an innings and 52 runs.

They are the first MCC side to go abroad through a tour undefeated since Walter Hammond's team did so in South Africa in 1938-39.

Combined Universities, forced to follow-on 203 runs behind, began well in their second innings with an opening stand of 44, but collapsed in the face of some good spin bowling by Denis Compton and Douglas Wright, and were all out for 151.

The opening batsmen, J. Nel, was top-scorer with 37. Earlier in the day, the Universities had failed by 54 runs to avert the follow-on, being all out for 274 in reply to the MCC's 477. The last batsman, J. Nel, was top-scorer with 37.

The MCC played 23 matches on the tour, winning 11, including two Tests.—Reuter.

## New Test Team Selectors

London, Mar. 15.—Almost a complete sweep of the Test selection committee was made at Lords when a meeting of the Board of Control for Test Matches at Home took place.

Compared with last year, only Group Captain A. J. Holmes, the Chairman, retains his position. Newcomers to the committee are Tom Pearce, Essex, A. B. Sellers, Yorkshire, and R. E. S. Wyatt, Worcestershire.

They, together with the captain, when appointed, will be co-opted, have the task of choosing the England team to meet New Zealand this summer.—Reuter.

## Cambridge Crew's Improved Form

London, Mar. 15.—Cambridge showed improved form today when they defeated the University boat race on March 28. They showed better rhythm and covered much more water than in previous outings.

They seem now to have nearly approached Oxford in pace and swing, although they still lag behind in the rate of striking. Oxford will restart serious training tomorrow.—Reuter.

## Ike Williams To Fight Ray Robinson

Philadelphia, March 15.—Frank Palumbo and Frank "Blinky" Palermo, co-managers of lightweight champion Ike Williams, said today that they are prepared to guarantee Ray "Sugar" Robinson \$60,000 for the welterweight title fight next June.

Palumbo and Palermo had a certified cheque for \$5,000—for presentation to chairman Leon Rains of the Pennsylvania State Athletic Commission as evidence of good faith.

Their offer to underwrite the title fight followed Robinson's statement in New York that he would accept \$60,000 for a title bout with Williams.—United Press.

## European Welter Championship

Amsterdam, Mar. 15.—A new title fight between European welterweight champion Livio Minelli of Italy and Giel de Roode of Holland is scheduled for May 2 in The Hague.

On March 4, Minelli won the vacant title against de Roode, who had to stop fighting after the eleventh round on medical advice.

De Roode will undergo an operation on both eyebrows, his weak spots. Heavy bleeding forced him to stop fighting on March 4.—Associated Press.

## GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP

## Citations For Louise Brough &amp; Zoe Ann Olsen

New York, Mar. 15.—Miss Louise Brough, Wimbledon lawn tennis champion, and Miss Zoe Ann Olsen, Olympic diver, have been honoured for their contributions to sport and friendship between nations.

Both are well known in Europe and the citation accompanying the service bowl which Mrs Hazel Whitman presented to Miss Brough, said that she had given more than anyone to the game and also to friendship among all tennis-playing nations.

Miss Brough is one of the three outstanding women players since the war and is expected to carry off before her this summer.

Miss Olsen, only 17 years of age, was voted to her pedestal by students of the Oakland High School where she was regarded as so outstanding a personality that the students initiated an annual award made to Miss Olsen the first holder.—Reuter.

## COLONY BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS By "SIDELINER"

## Junior Matches Draw A Good Gallery

Though there were no Senior matches on last night's programme in the Colony Open Badminton Championships, a very encouraging number of spectators turned up to watch the Juniors in action at the KCC.

All but one of the five matches on the programme were contested by aspirants to Junior titles, the exception being the match in the Ladies' Doubles Championship between the University pair of Miss May Leong and Miss Adeline Heath and the Recreio partnership, Miss Theresa Baptista and Miss Margie Xavier.

The Varsity pair were that little bit faster and steeper to allow them to emerge victorious from the encounter by 15-10, 15-11. Miss May Leong was really outstanding with her copy-book strokes and her deadly overhead smashes.

Her drops and lobs were timely and accurate and kept the opposition on the defensive through most of the game. Miss Adeline Heath's coverage of the forecourt left few chances for Miss Baptista and Miss Xavier to score by drops.

Miss Margie Xavier was also in the picture with her own recoveries and placements and more than held her own in the exchanges throughout the match.

Miss Theresa Baptista was brilliant in patches—making a seemingly impossible return at one moment and then mulling an easy 'kill' the next.

The University pair fumbled in the early stages of the first game and the Recreio pair led 4-0 and 0-3. Then Miss Leong began to warm up and, by smashes and drives inter-mixed with drops, she and Miss Heath forged into a 12-7 lead.

The second game began with Miss Xavier netting several smashes and, following three winning smashes by Miss Leong, the Recreio pair trailed 1-6.

At this period all four players found their form and the exchanges were unbelievably fast with the Recreio pair holding a slight edge.

They managed to get the lead at 7-6 before they began to miss out on their strokes and the Leong-Heath combination collected seven points in a row on their opponents' mishits before Miss Baptista stopped the riot with a well-placed smash.

However the University pair conceded only one more point before winning the set—the winning stroke being a volley by Miss Leong which dropped the shuttle just over the net and onto the sideline.

JUNIOR MEN'S DOUBLES  
R. M. Soares & J. A. Soares had a difficult time winning the first game from L. Pomeroy & G. Roza-Pereira who led at 13-12. However, J. A. Soares' fierce smashing from the rear court and drops and the volley almost unreturnable and the sources combination won the first game 15-15.

The second game saw J. Soares use every wily, mixing smashes with concealing drops which the opposition failed to return. The Soares pair won the second game after conceding three points.

The other Junior Men's Doubles match played was won by F. M. Ribeiro & T. E. Rodrigues who defeated E. M. Rozaio & J. A. Motta 15-3, 15-12.

The first set saw Ribeiro and Rodrigues using a smashing attack which completely overwhelmed the other two players. The second set found, Ribeiro and Rodrigues tiring, when they started mis-hitting and netting drops and drives.

Rozario and Motta led 8-1 and then 12-8 but then the other pair poured everything they had into the game and won hands down at 15-8.

JUNIOR MEN'S SINGLES  
The Match between K. P. Chong and C. H. Ngan was a ding-dong struggle with Chong the stronger of the two with his smashes and short drops. Ngan made several nice cross-drops but they failed to trouble Chong who was very fast on his feet and more often than not turned a losing shot into a winning one. Chong finally won the match 15-13, 15-11.

JUNIOR MIXED DOUBLES  
In the Junior Mixed Doubles, S. Mary Bain proved no match for the fast and accurate play of A. J. Gonsalves and Miss Gloria Silva.

Both Guttinger and Miss Bain played as well as they could and made several winning strokes at the net but the result was never in doubt.

## Hockey Fixtures

The following programme of games will be played this week-end on the Hockey Association tournament:

FRIDAY  
Dockyard RC v Army: King's Park (RNRC 1), 5.10 p.m.; Umpires: A.E.P. Guest and Yeo Sigs Gater.

SUNDAY  
Boundary Street (Kowloon), 10 a.m.; Umpires: S.D.P.O. Yee-moon and Yeo Sigs Gater.

Army v HK Police: Soekun-poo, 10.30 a.m.; Umpires: G.T. Palmer and Yeo Sigs Gater.

Khalsa v Civil Service: King's Park (RNRC 2), 10 a.m.; Umpires: F. F. Xavier and Mr Dice, RN.

Navy v Dutch HC: King's Park (RNRC 1), 10.30 a.m.; Umpires: Capt. Chisnell and J. S. Grewal.

University v Dockyard RC: Pokfulam Road, 10 a.m.; Umpires: E. K. Miller and W. R. Morrison.

YMCA v RAAF: King's Park (YMCA), 10 a.m.; Umpires: J. H. Biffin and Jangeer Singh.

All umpires are requested to carry firm by phone (2021 Ext. 117) before 5 p.m. on Friday. Secretaries are requested to ensure prompt attendance of their teams. A maximum of 10 minutes delay will be allowed. Will umpires please notify results as soon as possible after the match.

## WEEK-END SOCCER

The Hongkong Football Association programme for next week-end is as follows:

## SATURDAY

First Division  
Kitchener v St. Joseph's Navy, 4.30 p.m. (Ref. J. Ward); Innesmen, Pte. Collins/P. George.

Army v VCAAF, Soekunpoo, 4.30 p.m. (Ref. R. M. Omar); Innesmen, D. P. Lau/A. Ribeiro, V. A. Young-fall.

South China v Eastern, Caroline Hill, 4.30 p.m. (Ref. Capt. Chisnell); Innesmen, J. Day/Mick Young-fall.

Kwong Wah v K.M.B. Boundary, 4.30 p.m. (Ref. J. G. Padley); Innesmen, A. F. Wilford/Richardson.

Club v South China "B", postponed.

Second Division  
Navy v Club, Navy, 3 p.m. (Ref. Pte. Collins).

Army (HK) v Dockyard, Soekunpoo, 3 p.m. (Ref. P. Lau).

Rickiter v VCA Caroline Hill, 3 p.m. (Ref. J. Day).

South China v Eastern, Boundary, 3 p.m. (Ref. W. D. F. Willis).

K.M.B v Solicitors, Chatham Road, 3 p.m. (Ref. J. G. Padley).

St. Joseph's Army (HK), Army "B", 3 p.m. (Ref. A. Barretto).

SUNDAY  
Governor's Cup Final  
HKFA v VCAAF, 10 a.m. (Ref. W. D. F. Willis).

Estimation of match will be 90 minutes each way will be played in the event of a draw.

South China v Tai Kok, Caroline Hill, 3 p.m. (Ref. W. Crawford).

## Today's Soccer

The Police will meet RAF in a First Division Football League match at Boundary Street today starting at 5 p.m.

The referee will be Mr J. Padley and the Innesmen, Li Shui-ming and P.M. Xavier.

## Yachting Gains In Popularity

London, Mar. 15.—The popularity of yachting was shown by the Yacht Racing Association's annual meeting, which was attended by 420 club and individual members joined during 1948.

This number included many from the Commonwealth and other countries and there can be no doubt that plenty of healthy international rivalry exists in the yachting world of the present day.

Some members felt that the present day functions of the Association demanded a change of name for the ruling body and several new names were put forward but the proposals were defeated and so the title of the Yacht Racing Association remains.—Reuter.

## HENRY COTTON CRITICAL OF RYDER CUP TEAM SELECTION SYSTEM

London, Mar. 15.—The system of selecting international golf teams many weeks before their services are required for a match, in order to "give them opportunities of toning up their game" is mildly criticised by Henry Cotton, the British Open golf champion.

Mr Cotton thinks the British professional team should not be chosen for this year's Ryder Cup match against America until a month before the match, which takes place at Ganton, Yorkshire, in September.

He would wait until the professionals are at the top of their form and then choose the ten players who are heading the tournament records.

This system would certainly ensure that the men chosen are in form, although it could be argued that they might "go stale" during the succeeding two or three



# FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

## MCKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Throws Right Man Into Lead to Win

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

MRS LYNN HAYNES of Knoxville, Tenn., wrote to me recently, and said, "Down here in Tennessee every Tuesday night we put on our shoes and go to the hotel for our weekly duplicate bridge game." Do not let Mrs. Haynes' cute remark mislead you into believing that they do not play good bridge in Knoxville.

I have been writing for the Knoxville News Sentinel for close to 20 years, and have been down there and played bridge with those people. With their shoes on or off, they play good bridge.

Mrs. Haynes sent me today's hand, played by Judson Bryan, a young student at the University of Tennessee, who was her partner. The end result in a three no trump contract, which was not unusual, and South led the six of diamonds. When North put on the ten-spot, Bryan (East) let him hold the trick. North did not continue the diamond, but led back

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# Israeli Accused Of

## Violating UN Orders

### Transjordan's Indignation

Amman, Mar. 15.—"The Jews have challenged the Security Council once more in their advance and occupation of Umm Rashrash and the Palestinian Red Sea coast," the Transjordan Premier, Huda Pasha, accused in a press conference this morning.

"The Jews are claiming that they have advanced into territory given to them by the UN's resolution, but the Security Council orders are clear that everybody should stay where they are and not take advantage of seizing new strategical positions. The Jews in their latest movement have violated UN orders and acquired a position on the Red Sea shore between the Egyptian and Transjordan borders," Huda Pasha said.

"They have previously defied the Security Council in the same manner by violating the truce and acquiring strategic positions in the Egyptian frontier before a final settlement," Huda Pasha continued.

The Prime Minister then expressed his regret that the Security Council had never taken any practical measures to impose its orders.

"The Jews have also violated the truce in the Jerusalem area, occupying the 'no-man's-land' delimited by the United Nations in Elotour Mountain."

He added that the Jews were asked to have part of this area by the Acting UN Mediator, Dr. Ralph Bunche.

**THE AKABA GARRISON**

The Prime Minister then denied having any information about the Jewish advance through Egyptian territory. "I believe they have advanced through Palestinian territory to the Egyptian borders," he added.

Speaking about the British Akaba Garrison, he said "the main purpose of the British limited force at Akaba is to defend the Southern Transjordan territory where our forces are not enough. We have the right to ask them if we find ourselves obliged to implement the Anglo-Transjordan truce to call sufficient forces to help in defending the whole borders of Transjordan."

"British forces have not interfered in the latest Jewish movements in the Southern Negev because the Jews have not intentionally crossed the Transjordan borders."

"In the recent incidents where they crossed the Transjordan borders they have done it in unpopulated sterile areas of the land located in Akaba valley. Anyhow, the British government as well as the Acting Mediator were promptly informed wherever and whenever the Jews have crossed Transjordan borders."

Huda Pasha then announced that "Transjordan should welcome a plebiscite in Palestine if such a decision was taken by the United Nations."

Asked if the Transjordan government recognises Haj Amin Hussein as representing the Palestinians, he said "the Transjordan government neither recognises Haj Amin, the Arab High Committee, nor any member of the Committee as representing the Palestinians. We will have to debate with them and will never allow any of them to work or have any activity in territories under our administration."

"We are, however, recognising the Palestinian people themselves. We have taken the responsibility of talking on their behalf, not on the basis of occupation, but on the basis of

their willingness expressed in a variety of conferences held all over Palestine.

"Resistant Palestinians were well represented in these conferences."

"Palestinians all over the Arab States, however, are willing to return to their home. They recognise quite well that they are unable to establish a sufficiently powerful independent state which can alone withstand the confronting Jews. Unification with another Arab State is vital. The only logical state to unify with is Transjordan."

"The Transjordan government, in its resolution after the Jerusalem truce, stated that unification should follow constitutional steps according to self defence. On this basis we will welcome a plebiscite in Palestine."—Associated Press.

### Serious Crime Every 18 Secs.

Washington, Mar. 15.—A serious crime was committed in the United States every 18.7 seconds last year, a Federal Bureau Investigation report disclosed here.

The Bureau Director, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, said: "With the passing of each day, on the average 36 persons were feloniously slain, 235 were victims of aggravated assault, rape, and 150 robberies were committed."

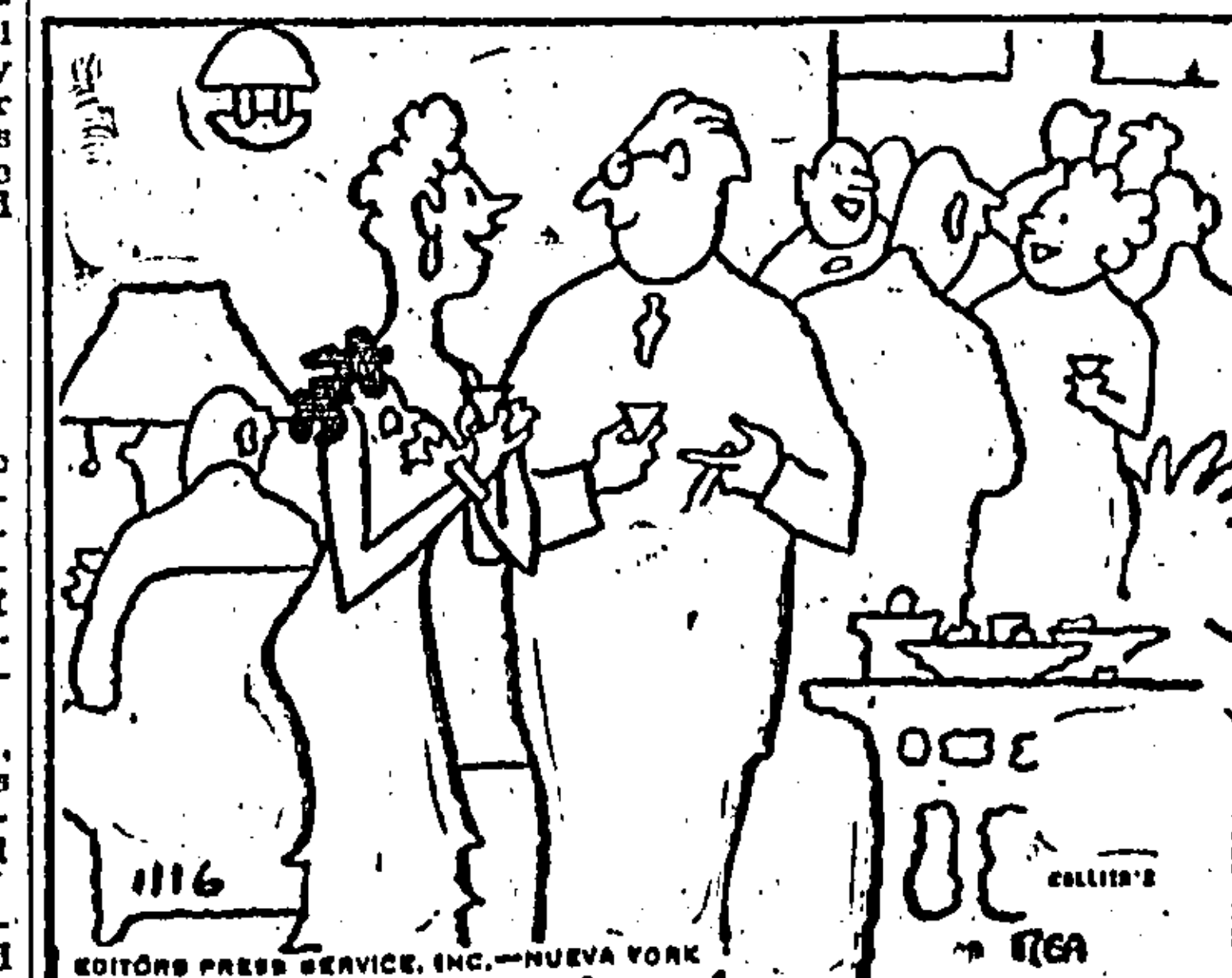
"During an average 24-hour period 1,032 places were burglarized, 463 automobiles were stolen, in addition to 2,071 miscellaneous larcenies."—Reuter.

### Sees Threat To Air Supremacy

Cincinnati, Mar. 15.—Soviet air accomplishments are a definite threat to American air supremacy, Mr. William Jordan, President of the Curtiss Wright Corporation, one of America's largest aircraft manufacturers, said here today.

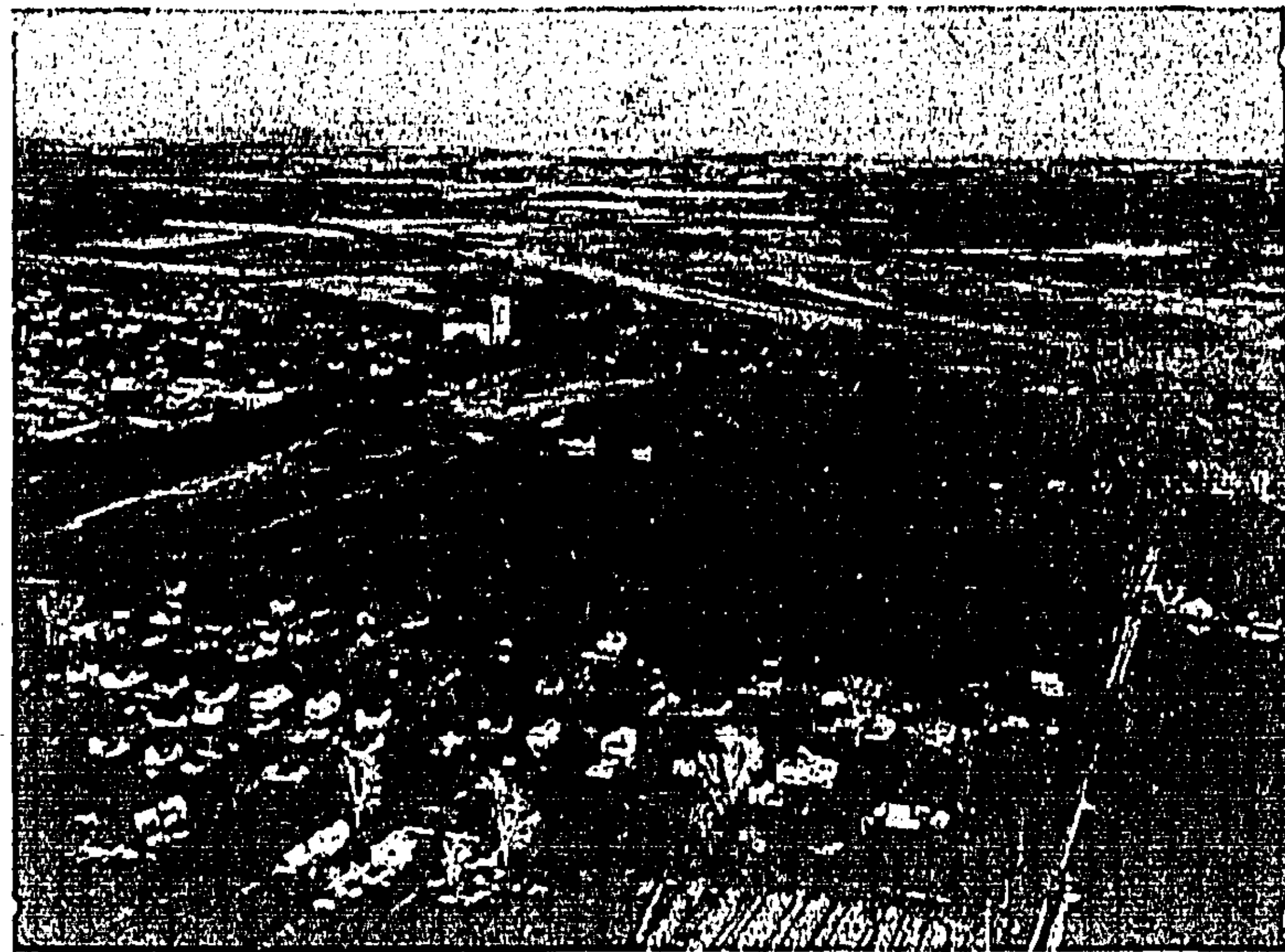
He would not want to be pilot of the first American bomber over Russia, because there would probably be a "sky full" of fighter planes, he told reporters in an interview here. "We talk about our planes flying at great heights, but the Russians have planes flying higher," he said.

"We say we are producing great quantities of planes, but the Russians are producing more."—Reuter.



"Goodness, Mr. Wurgess, I had no idea books could be so fascinating! What other ones have you banned lately?"

## Flood Water Spreads Into Town



## French Govt Survives Censure Motion

### DEPUTIES CREATE UPROAR

Paris, Mar. 15.—The French Chamber of Deputies today rejected by 350 votes to 228 a motion of censure against the Government because it had refused to reopen a full-dress debate on Indo-China after the Cochinchina bill.

The Assembly then discussed the date for a hearing of another motion of censure, proposed by the Communist deputy, M. Jacques Duclos. The motion asked the Government to "end the war in Vietnam rapidly and sign an agreement with Dr Ho Chi Minh (the extremist autonomist leader.)"

Its wording was purposely similar to that of a letter sent by the Socialist Party to the Premier, M. Henri Queuille, in January.

The Socialists, who are members of M. Queuille's Coalition Government, asked the Premier to drop the negotiations with Emperor Bao Dai of Annam, who has agreed to head the new Vietnamese Republic, and negotiate with Dr Ho Chi Minh.

The Opposition deputies intended to have the Communist motion debated before March 20, when the departmental elections begin.

**NOT SERIOUS THREAT**

The censure motion today—the first in the history of the three-year old Fourth Republic—was proposed by the Gaullist ex-Minister, M. René Capitant, and supported by the Communists.

It was not at any time felt to be a serious threat to the continued existence of the Queuille Government.

During the debate, several Ministers walked out when M. Duclos accused the French Government of "warmongering" in the Parliament today.

The atmosphere became heated after M. Duclos' speech. The Acting-Speaker, M. Andre Le Troquer, called on the Communist deputy to withdraw his "injurious remarks regarding the Government," or face expulsion from the debate.

To carry the motion of censure and overthrow the Coalition Government of M. Queuille, an absolute majority of 511 votes would be necessary in today's hearing.

Deputies hurried back to the debate from the provisional election campaigns.

**MINISTERS WALK OUT**

In a speech that provoked Communist cheers and counter cheers by their opponents, M. Duclos declared: "The Gaullists and the Government follow the same policy. The French Government is preparing for war and following the Hitlerite policy."

At this juncture, several Ministers and non-Communists walked out of the Chamber.

Mr. Andre Le Troquer, the Acting-Speaker, shouting to make himself heard above the uproar, called upon M. Duclos to withdraw "his injurious remarks regarding the Government."

"If M. Duclos repeats such statements I shall ask the Assembly to make him withdraw," M. Troquer added.

There were further angry shouts from non-Communists when M. Duclos addressed the French Government, said: "You want to sell French blood to American millionaires."

M. Le Troquer again called M. Duclos to order. When M. Duclos left the tribune a few minutes later, the Ministers who had walked out, including the Socialist Minister of the Interior, Mr. Jules Moch, and the Radical Minister of Education, M. Yvon Delbos, resumed their seats.

The Assembly dismissed by 402 votes to 106 a Communist proposal for a full-dress debate, in which every deputy would have the right to speak as long as he wished.

This aerial view shows a portion of the Southern Missouri valley, as flood waters from the Boyer river, forced out of the river channel and through a broken levee by an ice jam, spread into the town. A few hours after this picture was taken, 140 families had been evacuated from their homes and water was reported eight feet deep in spots. — AP Picture.

## Festival Of Britain In 1951

London, Mar. 15.—Britain has a comprehensive traffic plan, including transportation by road, rail, water, even by foot, for the "Festival of Britain, 1951," the fair projected for the South bank of the Thames, opposite Victoria embankment.

The festival, marking the centenary of the great exhibition of 1851, will tell the story of British life during a century of progress in work, play, discovery, invention and design.

Provision for financing new traffic arteries and parking facilities are contained in a public works bill submitted in the House of Commons by Alfred Barnes, Minister of Transport.

### £2,000,000 SCHEME

The traffic scheme, which will cost at least £2,000,000, includes new streets, underground passages, escalators, water buses to the blitzed area on which the exposition will be built.

A new approach to the site will be by foot-bridge across the Thames from Charing Cross. This will be a "Bailey Bridge" project to avoid using new steel.

Parking space will be set aside for 4,000 cars. The bill provides for the acquisition of the land to carry out the schemes. More than 80 families will be rehoused and shopkeepers displaced by the exhibition will be re-established near the site. — Associated Press.

Capetown, Mar. 15.—Dr Daniel Malan, the South African Prime Minister, said today that consideration was being given to the holding of a conference in London to discuss certain aspects of Commonwealth affairs. No decision had been reached. — Reuter.

### SINGAPORE DR HONOURED

London, Mar. 15.—The London Gazette tonight announced the Order of the British Empire (Civil Division) to Dr Hugh McIntyre, lately osteopath and radiologist, of Singapore, for services to fellow workers in Singapore during the Japanese occupation.

A government official who was flung into Changi camp at the same time as Dr McIntyre told Reuter: "We very much appreciated the way he helped to alleviate suffering among the prisoners." — Reuter.

### Offers \$50,000 To Rebuild Church

Rome, Mar. 15.—An American citizen has offered \$50,000 to build a church in the atom-bombed Japanese town of Hiroshima, Vatican Radio announced today.

The donor was quoted as saying that the Americans had destroyed the town and must therefore contribute to its reconstruction. — Reuter.

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## LOTTERY FOR ROYAL SHOES

San Francisco, Mar. 15.—Some lucky resident will be wearing Philip Mountbatten's royal shoes in the Enster parade. This male Cinderella need only have the right foot size and hold the winning ticket.

This morning the tan duval oxfords, worth about \$25, went on display in the window of Robert Kirk, Ltd., Store, local importer of English men's apparel.

The store obtained the shoes when their buyer in London met the Duke of Edinburgh shopping at a shoe manufacturers. Jokingly, the store's representative pointed at Philip's shoes and said: "How about giving those as a sign of friendship with our country?"

The Duke replied, "fine" and handed over the shoes. Anyone with the right foot size will be entitled to place his name in a container. On the day before Easter the winning ticket will be drawn.—United Press.

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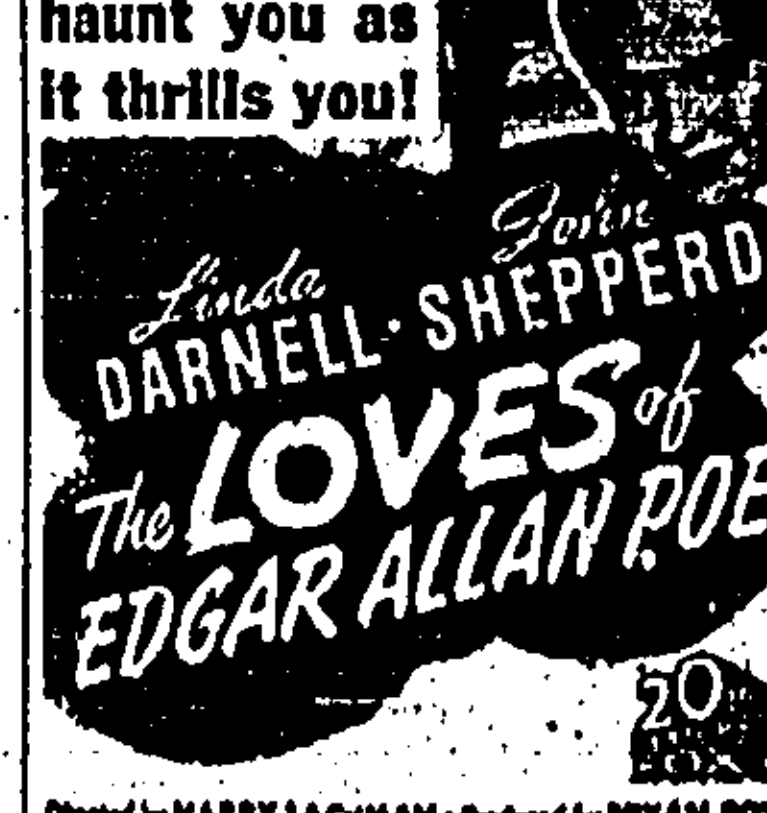
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